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1                   [REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION,  
2                   TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2005 BEGINS ON PAGE 198.]

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4   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING. WE'RE GOING TO BEGIN THIS  
5 MORNING'S MEETING. IF I COULD ASK EVERYONE TO PLEASE TAKE A  
6 SEAT, WE WOULD APPRECIATE IT. THIS MORNING, OUR INVOCATION IS  
7 GOING TO BE LED BY PASTOR STEVE ERNST FROM THE CITY ON A HILL  
8 LUTHERAN CHURCH IN MANHATTAN BEACH. OUR PLEDGE THIS MORNING  
9 WILL BE LED BY JERRY KING, WHO IS COMMANDER OF POST NUMBER 617  
10 OF THE JEWISH WAR VETERANS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.  
11 WOULD YOU ALL PLEASE STAND . THANK YOU.

12

13 **JERRY KING:** PLEASE RISE. FACE THE FLAG, PLEASE. SORRY.

14

15 **PASTOR STEVE ERNST:** HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, LADIES AND  
16 GENTLEMEN, ROBERT F. KENNEDY ONCE SAID, EACH TIME SOMEONE  
17 STANDS UP FOR AN IDEAL OR ACTS TO IMPROVE THE LOT OF OTHERS OR  
18 STRIKES OUT AGAINST INJUSTICE, HE SENDS FORTH A TINY RIPPLE OF  
19 HOPE. WE PRAY TODAY YOU HAVE THE COURAGE AND STRENGTH TO STAND  
20 FOR IDEALS. YOU HAVE THE COMPASSION AND WISDOM TO ACT TO  
21 IMPROVE THE LOT OF OTHERS. YOU HAVE THE HONOR AND VALOR TO  
22 STRIKE OUT AGAINST INJUSTICE SO THAT YOU MIGHT SEND FORTH FROM  
23 HERE A TINY RIPPLE OF HOPE TO OUR HOMES, OUR STREETS, OUR  
24 NEIGHBORHOODS, OUR CITIES, OUR COUNTY AND BEYOND. AMEN.

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1 **JERRY KING:** PUT YOUR HAND-- YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR HEART  
2 AND JOIN ME IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. [ PLEDGE OF  
3 ALLEGIANCE ]

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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7 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,  
8 LADIES AND GENTLEMEN. IT'S MY PLEASURE TO INTRODUCE TO YOU  
9 ONCE AGAIN PASTOR STEVE ERNST OF THE CITY ON A HILL LUTHERAN  
10 CHURCH IN MANHATTAN BEACH. PASTOR STEVE IS A VERY ACTIVE  
11 VOLUNTEER IN THE MANHATTAN BEACH COMMUNITY WHERE HE SERVES  
12 VARIOUS CITY AND COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION IN ADDITION TO HIS  
13 CHURCH. HE ALSO INCLUDES THE MANHATTAN COORDINATING BEACH  
14 COUNCIL AND IS ALSO CHAPLAIN TO THE MANHATTAN BEACH POLICE AND  
15 FIRE DEPARTMENTS. IN JUNE, PASTOR STEVE WAS RECOGNIZED BY THE  
16 MANHATTAN BEACH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE WITH ITS VOLUNTEER OF THE  
17 YEAR AWARD. HE'S AN UNDERGRADUATE FROM THE CALIFORNIA STATE  
18 UNIVERSITY-LONG BEACH, HE HAS A MASTER OF ARTS IN CHRISTIAN  
19 EDUCATION FROM TALBOT SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY AT LOYOLA UNIVERSITY,  
20 AND A MASTER'S OF DIVINITY DEGREE FROM FORWARD THEOLOGICAL  
21 SEMINARY. HE LIVES IN REDONDO BEACH WITH HIS WIFE, JANET, AND  
22 THEIR TWO BOYS, EZEKIEL AND NATHAN. AND SO, STEVE, ON BEHALF  
23 OF MY COLLEAGUES, WE'D JUST LIKE TO SAY THANK YOU FOR TAKING  
24 TIME OUT OF YOUR BUSY SCHEDULE TO JOIN US AND LEAD US IN THE  
25 INVOCATION. [ APPLAUSE ]





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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAM CHAIR, WE WERE LED IN THE PLEDGE OF  
5 ALLEGIANCE THIS MORNING BY JERRY KING, A RESIDENT OF OUR  
6 DISTRICT WHO IS REPRESENTATIVE OF THE JEWISH WAR VETERANS POST  
7 617. JERRY SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY AIR CORPS FROM  
8 1942 TO '45 IN THE 9TH TROOP CARRIER COMMAND IN THE NORTH  
9 AFRICAN AND EUROPEAN THEATERS, INVOLVED IN VARIOUS BATTLES,  
10 RECEIVED THE PRESIDENTIAL UNIT CITATION WITH TWO CLUSTERS,  
11 ARMY OF GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL, A NUMBER OF MEDALS, AND SERVED--  
12 AND HAILS FROM NEW YORK CITY ORIGINALLY AND LIVES ON THE WEST  
13 SIDE OF LOS ANGELES. HE LIVED IN OUR DISTRICT FOR 58 YEARS AS  
14 A GRADUATE OF ST. JOHN'S UNIVERSITY IN NEW YORK AND I THINK  
15 THEY HAD A GOOD BASKETBALL TEAM WHEN YOU WENT THERE, IF MY  
16 MEMORY SERVES ME CORRECTLY. JERRY, THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR  
17 LEADING US IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
18 SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY. [ APPLAUSE ]

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20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU AND CONGRATULATIONS. I'M GOING  
21 TO ASK OUR EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO PLEASE CALL THE AGENDA.

22

23 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE  
24 BOARD. WE'LL BEGIN ON PAGE 5. AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE  
25 SANITATION DISTRICT NUMBERS 27 AND 35, ITEMS 1 AND 2.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE, SECONDED BY  
3 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

4

5 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY  
6 DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ITEMS 1-D THROUGH 3-D. ON ITEM 1-D,  
7 SUPERVISOR BURKE REQUESTS A TWO-WEEK CONTINUANCE.

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9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. ON 2-D AND 3-D, MOVED BY  
10 SUPERVISOR KNABE, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. IF  
11 THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

12

13 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE HOUSING  
14 AUTHORITY, ITEM 1-H.

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16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED  
17 BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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19 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 1 THROUGH 10,  
20 I HAVE THE FOLLOWING REQUEST. ON ITEM NUMBER 2, HOLD FOR  
21 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND SUPERVISOR KNABE. ON ITEM NUMBER 4,  
22 HOLD FOR A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC. ON ITEM NUMBER 9, HOLD FOR  
23 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC. AND THE REST ARE BEFORE YOU.

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1   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR--  
2   THE LAST ONE WAS NUMBER 9, WHICH WAS HELD FOR THE PUBLIC. ON  
3   THOSE ITEMS, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY  
4   SUPERVISOR BURKE. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

5

6   **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, ITEMS 11 THROUGH  
7   14. ON ITEM NUMBER 11, HOLD FOR SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND  
8   MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC. ON ITEM NUMBER 12, HOLD FOR MEMBERS OF  
9   THE PUBLIC-- A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC. AND, FOR THE RECORD, ON  
10   ITEM 14, SUPERVISOR MOLINA VOTES "NO."

11

12   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. NOTING THAT EXCEPTION ON 14,  
13   MOVING 13 AND 14, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY  
14   SUPERVISOR BURKE. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

15

16   **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** BEACHES AND HARBORS, ITEM 15. HOLD FOR  
17   SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.

18

19   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THAT ITEM WILL BE HELD.

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21   **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES. ON ITEM 16,  
22   HOLD FOR SUPERVISOR MOLINA AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC.

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24   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WE'LL HOLD THAT ITEM.

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1 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** CHILDREN'S PLANNING COUNCIL, ITEM 17.

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3 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED  
4 BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO  
5 ORDERED.

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7 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** COUNTY COUNSEL, ITEMS 18 AND 19.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE, SECONDED BY  
10 SUPERVISOR KNABE. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

11

12 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** DISTRICT ATTORNEY, ITEM 20.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED  
15 BY SUPERVISOR BURKE. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

16

17 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** FIRE DEPARTMENT. ON ITEM 21, HOLD FOR A  
18 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THAT ITEM WILL BE HELD.

21

22 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** FISH AND GAME COMMISSION, ITEM 22.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE, SECONDED BY  
25 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.



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2 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** HEALTH SERVICES, ITEMS 23 THROUGH 29. ON  
3 ITEM NUMBER 26, HOLD FOR A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC. AND ON ITEM  
4 28, THE DIRECTOR REQUESTS A ONE-WEEK CONTINUANCE.

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6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. NOTING THOSE TWO EXCEPTIONS,  
7 MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE.  
8 IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

9

10 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** INTERNAL SERVICES, ITEM 30.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE, SECONDED BY  
13 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

14

15 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** MENTAL HEALTH. ON ITEM 31, THE DIRECTOR  
16 REQUESTS THAT THE ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO THE DEPARTMENT.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THAT ITEM WILL BE REFERRED BACK.

19

20 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** PARKS AND RECREATION, ITEM 32.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE, SECONDED BY  
23 SUPERVISOR KNABE. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

24

25 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES, ITEM 33.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE, SECONDED BY  
3 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

4

5 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** PUBLIC WORKS, ITEMS 34 THROUGH 48.

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7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE, SECONDED BY  
8 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

9

10 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** SHERIFF, ITEMS 49 THROUGH 51.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED  
13 BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

14

15 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR, ITEMS 52  
16 THROUGH 54.

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18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED  
19 BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

20

21 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS, ITEMS 55  
22 THROUGH 57.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE, SECONDED BY  
25 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.



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2 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION, 58 AND 59  
3 AND I'LL READ THE SHORT TITLES INTO THE RECORD. 58, AN  
4 ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 7, BUSINESS LICENSES OF THE LOS  
5 ANGELES COUNTY CODE RELATING TO LICENSE APPEALS; AND 59, AN  
6 ORDINANCE TO EXTEND THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2006, THE TERM OF THE  
7 GAS PIPELINE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS  
8 COMPANY, A CORPORATION BY ORDINANCE NUMBER 6765. AND, FOR THE  
9 RECORD, ON 59, SUPERVISOR MOLINA VOTES "NO."

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. NOTING THAT EXCEPTION, ON 58  
12 AND 59, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR  
13 YAROSLAVSKY. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

14

15 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ORDINANCES FOR ADOPTION, 60 AND 61. ON  
16 ITEM 60, HOLD FOR SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. ITEM 61 IS BEFORE  
17 YOU.

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19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED  
20 BY SUPERVISOR BURKE. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

21

22 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** SEPARATE MATTERS, ITEMS 62 THROUGH 65. 62  
23 IS BEFORE YOU FOR APPROVAL.

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1   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR  
2   YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE. IF THERE'S NO  
3   OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

4

5   **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** 63 IS THE TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR'S  
6   RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE  
7   AND SALE OF LONG BEACH COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT GENERAL  
8   OBLIGATION BOND 2002 ELECTION SERIES B IN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL  
9   AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$75 MILLION.

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11   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE, SECONDED BY  
12   SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

13

14   **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ITEM 64, WE'LL HOLD THIS FOR REPORT. ITEM  
15   65, SUPERVISOR BURKE REQUESTS A ONE-WEEK CONTINUANCE.

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17   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. THAT ITEM WILL BE CONTINUED FOR  
18   A WEEK.

19

20   **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** OKAY. MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE  
21   AGENDA REQUESTED BY BOARD MEMBERS AND THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE  
22   OFFICER WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE  
23   MEETING, AS INDICATED ON THE GREEN SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON  
24   ITEM 66-A, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE  
25   REFERRED BACK TO HIS OFFICE.





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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THAT ITEM WILL BE REFERRED BACK.

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4 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** 66-B.

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6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED  
7 BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

8

9 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ON 66-C, HOLD FOR SUPERVISOR MOLINA. 66-  
10 D.

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12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE, SECONDED BY  
13 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

14

15 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** 66-E.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE, SECONDED BY  
18 SUPERVISOR KNABE. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

19

20 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** 66-F.

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22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE, SECONDED BY  
23 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.

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25 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** 66-G.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE, SECONDED BY  
3 SUPERVISOR KNABE. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

4

5 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** AND THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE  
6 AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH  
7 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NO. 3.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MR. YAROSLAVSKY.

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I DON'T HAVE ANY PRESENTATIONS.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. I HAVE ONE SPECIAL  
14 PRESENTATION. THIS MORNING-- UH-- THIS IS A HEAVY PLAQUE. THIS  
15 MORNING, WE ARE GOING TO BID FAREWELL TO THE HONORABLE  
16 ZULKEPHLI MOHD NOOR WHO AS SERVED AS OUR CONSUL-GENERAL FROM  
17 MALAYSIA IN LOS ANGELES SINCE NOVEMBER OF 2002. CONSUL-GENERAL  
18 NOOR MAINTAINED A VERY HIGH PROFILE FOR HIS NATION. HE IS NOW  
19 LEAVING US TO RETURN TO HIS OFFICE OF FOREIGN MISSIONS IN  
20 MALAYSIA. CONSUL-GENERAL NOOR, WE TRULY APPRECIATE THE  
21 LEADERSHIP AND THE ENERGY AND CERTAINLY ALL THE INITIATIVE  
22 THAT YOU UNDERTOOK WHILE YOU WERE POSTED HERE IN LOS ANGELES.  
23 WE WANT TO PRESENT THIS SPECIAL PLAQUE, IT'S A LITTLE BIT  
24 HEAVY, AS A TOKEN OF OUR FRIENDSHIP AND WE HOPE THAT, WHERE  
25 YOU ARE POSTED, IT'LL REMIND YOU OF ALL THE FRIENDS AND ALL



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1 THE PEOPLE THAT YOU MET HERE AND YOUR TIME IN LOS ANGELES. SO  
2 WE CONGRATULATE YOU AND WE BID YOU FAREWELL. THANK YOU, SIR.  
3 HE'S ALSO ACCOMPANIED BY HIS WIFE, DR. NOOR. CONGRATULATIONS,  
4 SIR. WOULD YOU LIKE TO SAY A FEW WORDS?

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6 **THE HONORABLE ZULKEPHLI MOHD NOOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM  
7 CHAIR, COUNCIL MEMBERS. I WOULD LIKE TO PLACE ON RECORD MY  
8 APPRECIATION DURING MY THREE YEARS' SERVICE IN LOS ANGELES AS  
9 CONSUL-GENERAL. I HAVE A GREAT TIME HERE IN THE CITY OF  
10 ANGELS. IT'S GREAT. I'VE LEARNED A LOT AND I MADE A LOT OF  
11 FRIENDS. THEY BOTH PROVIDE ME THE INSIGHT AND HINDSIGHT OF  
12 THINGS AND I WILL BRING THIS BACK HOME AND, WITH THIS  
13 EXPERIENCE, I THINK I WILL EXCEL WHEREVER I AM POSTED. I THINK  
14 LOS ANGELES IS A GREAT PLACE AND IT IS A GREAT CHALLENGE. I  
15 LEARNED A LOT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SIR. [ APPLAUSE ]

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, I THINK YOU'RE THE  
20 ONLY INDIVIDUAL THAT HAS PRESENTATIONS-- YOU DO HAVE  
21 PRESENTATIONS?

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23 **SUP. KNABE:** I'M PART OF SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH'S ONE  
24 PRESENTATION, SO I'LL YIELD TO HIM.

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1    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SO PLEASE PROCEED.

2

3    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THIS MORNING, SUPERVISOR KNABE AND I HAVE A  
4    SPECIAL PRESENTATION FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY  
5    SERVICES' INNOVATIVE PERMANENCY PARTNERS PROGRAM, WHICH IS  
6    ALSO KNOWN AS P-3. WE WANT TO ONCE AGAIN WELCOME DR. DAVID  
7    SANDERS, OUR DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY  
8    SERVICES TO JOIN US, ALONG WITH TIFFANY COLLINS, WHO IS THE P-  
9    3 PROJECT MANAGER AND KATE CLEARY, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE  
10    CONSORTIUM FOR CHILDREN AND TRISH PHONE, WHO IS THE DEPUTY  
11    DIRECTOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES.  
12    OUR COUNTY HAS MORE THAN 7,000 YOUNG PEOPLE BETWEEN THE AGES  
13    OF 12 AND 18 WHO ARE CURRENTLY RESIDING IN LONG-TERM FOSTER  
14    CARE PLACEMENTS THAT ARE NOT REALLY CATEGORIZED AT LEGALLY  
15    PERMANENT AND, IN AN EFFORT TO STOP CHILDREN FROM GROWING UP  
16    IN FOSTER CARE AND TO FIND PERMANENT HOMES FOR OLDER FOSTER  
17    YOUTH, OUR DEPARTMENT HAS ENTERED INTO A VERY EFFECTIVE  
18    PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP WITH THE CONSORTIUM OF CHILDREN AND  
19    CREATED THE PERMANENCY PROGRAM CALLED P-3 BACK IN OCTOBER OF  
20    '04. THE PURPOSE IS TO FIND PERMANENCY OPTIONS FOR EVERY  
21    FOSTER YOUTH FOR RECREATING VERY IMPORTANT, RECONNECTING  
22    CONNECTIONS WITH FAMILY MEMBERS WHO HAVE BEEN SIGNIFICANT TO  
23    THEM IN THE PAST. AND THE ULTIMATE GOAL OF THE PROGRAM IS TO  
24    ESTABLISH EMOTIONAL AND LEGAL PERMANENCE FOR EACH YOUNG PERSON  
25    THROUGH THIS REUNIFICATION WITH FAMILY, ADOPTION,



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1 GUARDIANSHIP, OR MENTORSHIP. CURRENTLY, THERE ARE MORE THAN  
2 250 YOUTH IN 16 OF 17 DEPARTMENTS REGIONAL OFFICES ACROSS OUR  
3 COUNTY. AT THIS TIME, WE WANT TO COMMEND THE DEPARTMENT AND  
4 FAMILY SERVICES ON AN EXCELLENT PROGRAM AND-- WHAT WAS  
5 INTERESTING IS THAT A SOCIAL WORKER RETIRED, COMING BACK  
6 HELPING THE DEPARTMENT TO CUT OUT THE RED TAPE AND TO FIND--  
7 WAS ABLE, ON THE INDIVIDUAL'S OWN TIME, TO FIND A YOUNG PERSON  
8 AND DRIVE TO SAN DIEGO AND LOCATE HER FATHER, LOCATE HER  
9 FATHER, WHO HAD NOT BEEN ABLE TO HAVE CONTACT WITH THE  
10 DAUGHTER, WENT UP TO THE DOOR AND FOUND HIM AND THEY WERE ABLE  
11 TO RELOCATE THE FATHER AND REUNITE THE CHILD AND THEY'RE GOING  
12 THROUGH ADOPTION RIGHT NOW FOR PERMANENCY. THAT PERSON STEPPED  
13 OUT OF THE BOX AND DID SOMETHING A LITTLE DIFFERENT. INSTEAD  
14 OF JUST SENDING A LETTER, THEY WENT TO SAN DIEGO AND KNOCKED  
15 ON THE DOOR AND FOUND THAT INDIVIDUAL AND REUNITED HIM WITH  
16 HIS DAUGHTER, SAVING A CHILD FROM BEING EMANCIPATED AT 18 WITH  
17 NO SUPPORT SYSTEM IN PLACE. THAT CHILD NOW WILL HAVE AN  
18 OPPORTUNITY FOR EDUCATION, A LOVING FAMILY ENVIRONMENT, AND  
19 WILL BECOME A PRODUCTIVE CITIZEN. SO WE'RE GOING TO MAKE A  
20 PRESENTATION AT THIS TIME AND, DON, DO YOU WANT TO SAY A FEW  
21 WORDS BEFORE I MAKE MY PRESENTATION?

22  
23 **SUP. KNABE:** YES, THANK YOU, MIKE, AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD AND  
24 LADIES AND GENTLEMEN. WE JUST-- I WANT TO JOIN MIKE IN  
25 CONGRATULATING THE DEPARTMENT FOR THIS GROUND- BREAKING





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1 EFFORT. OBVIOUSLY IT'S VERY EASY FOR-- TO SAY THAT EVERY CHILD  
2 NEEDS A FAMILY TO GROW UP IN. THERE HAVE BEEN ALL KINDS OF  
3 STUDIES CONDUCTED ALL OVER AMERICA THAT SUPPORT THAT  
4 STATEMENT. BUT IT'S QUITE ANOTHER THING TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT  
5 IT AND IT TAKES AN EXTRA EFFORT TO CONNECT CHILDREN IN OUR  
6 SYSTEM TO FAMILY MEMBERS WHO LOVE AND CARE FOR THEM IN WAYS  
7 THAT COULD NEVER BE IMITATED IN A GROUP HOME OR A FOSTER HOME.  
8 SO WE BELIEVE THAT MAKING THESE CONNECTIONS IS OUR FUNDAMENTAL  
9 RESPONSIBILITY TO CHILDREN WHO HAVE SPENT THEIR LIVES IN  
10 INSTITUTIONAL SETTINGS, AND WE'VE BEEN LED TO BELIEVE THAT  
11 THEY HAD NO CHOICE OF BEING ADOPTED. THE EARLY SUCCESS OF THE  
12 P-3 PROGRAM IS A SIGNIFICANT STEP TOWARDS MAKING THIS HAPPEN  
13 FOR ALL THE CHILDREN IN OUR CARE. SINCE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF  
14 P-3, THE DEPARTMENT HAS DEVELOPED PERMANENCY PLANS FOR 75  
15 YOUTH, MANY OF WHOM BEEN DESTINED TO REMAIN IN FOSTER CARE  
16 UNTIL THEY REACH THE AGE OF 18. SO WE'RE PARTICULARLY PROUD TO  
17 SAY, AT LEAST I AM, PARTICULARLY PROUD THAT THIS P-3 PROGRAM  
18 BEGAN AS A PILOT IN THE D.C.F. OFFICE IN THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD  
19 WITHIN THE FOURTH DISTRICT. AND, TODAY, JOINING US WE HAVE JOY  
20 RUSSELL, WHO IS THE REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE D.C.F.  
21 LAKEWOOD OFFICE. WE WANT TO CONGRATULATE JOY AND HER ENTIRE  
22 STAFF FOR THE WORK THAT THEY DO EVERY DAY TO MAKE SURE THAT  
23 OUR CHILDREN ARE SAFE AND NOT AT RISK AND ARE SUPPORTED AND  
24 KIDS HAVE A REAL CHANCE AT FINDING A FAMILY WHO LOVES THEM.  
25 SO, JOY, WE WANT TO PRESENT THIS SCROLL TO YOU AND TO ALL THE



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1 FOLKS OUT THERE IN LAKEWOOD, JUST SAY A HEARTFELT THANKS AND  
2 CONGRATULATIONS ON A JOB WELL DONE AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO  
3 WORKING WITH YOU IN THE FUTURE. [ APPLAUSE ]

4

5 **DAVID SANDERS:** I JUST WANT TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
6 FOR THE RECOGNITION AND THE SUPPORT. ONE OF THE AREAS THAT WE  
7 FOCUSED ON AND IT REALLY HAS BEEN AT THE DIRECTION OF THE  
8 BOARD, IS THAT WE DON'T WANT ANY CHILD GROWING UP IN FOSTER  
9 CARE. WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT ALL CHILDREN HAVE PERMANENT,  
10 LEGAL FAMILIES AND THAT'S WHAT THE P-3 EFFORT IS ABOUT. IT'S  
11 REALLY EXCITING THAT LAKEWOOD STARTED THIS PROJECT. WE HAVE  
12 KATE CLEARY HERE FROM THE CONSORTIUM AND I WANT TO THANK THEM  
13 FOR THEIR SUPPORT BUT WE'VE REALLY FOUND THAT KIDS WHO HAVE  
14 BEEN IN CARE FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS, WE CAN FIND THEM PERMANENT  
15 FAMILIES AND THAT'S WHAT THIS IS ABOUT. AND SO I WANT TO  
16 CONGRATULATE THE STAFF OF D.C.F.S. OF LAKEWOOD, THE  
17 CONSORTIUM, FOR THE WORK THAT THEY'VE DONE, AND THANKS TO THE  
18 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE HONOR. [ APPLAUSE ]

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WELL, THE SUCCESS STORY I WAS TELLING YOU  
21 ABOUT MELINDA PICKUP AND HER FATHER, THOMAS SMITH, ARE UNABLE  
22 TO BE HERE THIS MORNING. THE SOCIAL WORKER WHO WAS INVOLVED IN  
23 THAT, PEGGY CHRIS, THE P-3 CHILDREN'S SOCIAL WORKER, AND CHUCK  
24 WILLIS, P-3 PROJECT MANAGER WILL BE HERE. STEVEN OTA, THE CASE  
25 CARING SOCIAL WORKER FOR THE FAMILY IS UNABLE TO BE WITH US



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1    TODAY. BUT, TO GO BACK INTO THAT HISTORY, 14-YEAR-OLD MELINDA  
2    PICKUP AND HER BIOLOGICAL FATHER, THOMAS SMITH, WERE RECENTLY  
3    REUNITED THROUGH THIS EFFORT. MELINDA WAS DETAINED FROM HER  
4    MOTHER BACK IN 1995 WHEN SHE WAS SIX YEARS OLD. SHE'D BEEN  
5    TOLD BY HER MOTHER THAT HER FATHER HAD WALKED OUT ON THEM AT  
6    BIRTH AND DID NOT WANT HER, SO THAT WAS WHAT SHE HAD THOUGHT.  
7    SHE WAS PLACED IN MULTIPLE FOSTER HOMES WHILE IN CUSTODY,  
8    NEVER RETURNING TO HER MOTHER'S CARE. P-3 WORKER, PEGGY CHRIS,  
9    WAS ASSIGNED TO WORK WITH MELINDA BACK IN APRIL OF 2005 AND,  
10    THROUGH HARD WORK AND DETERMINATION, PEGGY WAS ABLE TO LOCATE  
11    POTENTIAL ADDRESSES IN SAN DIEGO FOR MELINDA'S BIOLOGICAL  
12    FATHER. SHE WORKED WITH SAN DIEGO CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES,  
13    MADE CONTACT WITH THOMAS, WHO WAS EXTREMELY EXCITED THAT HE  
14    WAS ABLE TO LOCATE HIS DAUGHTER AND HE REPORTED THAT HE HAD  
15    BEEN LOOKING FOR HER FOR THE PAST 14 YEARS BUT, BECAUSE THE  
16    SOCIAL WORKER WENT OUT, NOT JUST WITHIN L.A. COUNTY BUT FOUND  
17    AN ADDRESS AND WENT AND DROVE TO SAN DIEGO, AND WENT UP TO  
18    THAT HOUSE AND KNOCKED ON THE DOOR, THEY WERE ABLE TO REUNITE  
19    A FATHER AND HIS DAUGHTER AND GIVE HER PERMANENCE AND THE  
20    ABILITY TO GROW UP IN A LOVING HOME. SO, AT THIS TIME, WE WANT  
21    TO-- WE HAVE THE PROCLAMATION FOR MELINDA AND HER FATHER,  
22    WHICH WE WILL PRESENT TO HER AT A LATER TIME. WE WANT TO GIVE  
23    THE PERMANENCY PARTNERS PROGRAM THIS PROCLAMATION ON BEHALF OF  
24    OUR 10 MILLION CITIZENS OF OUR COUNTY TO RECOGNIZE THEM FOR



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1 DOING AN INCREDIBLE JOB IN HEALING AND BRINGING FAMILIES  
2 TOGETHER. [ APPLAUSE ]

3

4 **PEGGY CHRIS:** THIS JOB-- I DIDN'T EXPECT TO SAY ANYTHING. THIS  
5 JOB IS A DREAM FOR EVERY SOCIAL WORKER. IT'S THE KIND OF THING  
6 THAT WE'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO DO, AND USUALLY WE'VE HAD TO STOP  
7 HALF WAY BECAUSE WE'VE HAD ANOTHER CASE THAT WAS EXPLODING OR  
8 SOMETHING ELSE THAT WE HAD TO DO AND IT'S WONDERFUL, AND I  
9 KNOW IT WILL SUCCEED. IT ALMOST CAN'T NOT SUCCEED. [ APPLAUSE  
10 ]

11

12 **SPEAKER:** I WOULD LIKE TO THANK L.A. COUNTY FOR STARTING THIS  
13 PROGRAM AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR HAVING THE VISION TO  
14 GO AHEAD AND MAKE P-3 AND OPPORTUNITY FOR THE ENTIRE COUNTY.  
15 THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** PURSUANT TO A MOTION I HAD PASSED BACK IN  
18 1996, THE BOARD IS REALLY PROUD TO RECOGNIZE THE EDUCATIONAL  
19 EFFORTS OF OUR CHILDREN AND FAMILY SUPERVISED BY THE  
20 DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES ENRICHMENT PLUS  
21 PROGRAM. AGAIN, DR. DAVID SANDERS IS JOINING WITH ME, ALONG  
22 WITH Y.O.U. BOARD MEMBER, SYLVIA FOGELMAN, WHO WILL BE  
23 PRESENTING 50-DOLLAR GIFT CERTIFICATES TO THE BOOKSTORE FOR  
24 EACH OF THESE YOUNG PEOPLE. SPECIAL THANKS TO THE PARENTS,  
25 RELATIVES AND FOSTER CARE PROVIDERS FOR THE GUIDANCE AND



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1 MOTIVATION THAT THEY HAVE PROVIDED TO TODAY'S RECIPIENTS. WE  
2 ALL KNOW THAT THE QUALITY OF EDUCATION AND EDUCATION IS WHAT  
3 IS ESSENTIAL IF A PERSON IS GOING TO BE SUCCESSFUL AND BE A  
4 PRODUCTIVE CITIZEN. SO NOW WE WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE FOR THE  
5 MOST IMPROVED ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT, ANGELINA OWENS. FOR THE  
6 MOST IMPROVED ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT, DOMINIQUE WILLIAMS. MOST  
7 IMPROVED ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT, CRYSTAL RAMIREZ. MOST IMPROVED  
8 ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT, MANUEL MARTINEZ. MOST IMPROVED ACADEMIC  
9 ACHIEVEMENT, MARGARITA VARGAS. AND THE GIFT CERTIFICATE IS  
10 FROM BARNES AND NOBLE THAT IS PRESENTED BY THE Y.O.U.  
11 FOUNDATION. BEST ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT IS RAYNA TUCHEZ. AND  
12 BEST EDUCATIONAL ALLIANCE, TYESHA BAKER. DAVID?

13

14 **DR. DAVID SANDERS:** ONCE AGAIN, WE WANT TO THANK THE BOARD OF  
15 SUPERVISORS FOR THEIR SUPPORT OF THIS AND SUPERVISOR  
16 ANTONOVICH FOR HIS LEADERSHIP ON IT. YOU HEARD ABOUT THE  
17 ACADEMIC SUCCESS OF THESE KIDS, AND CLEARLY THAT'S GOING TO BE  
18 CRITICAL TO ANYTHING THEY DO IN THE FUTURE, SO I CONGRATULATE  
19 THEM. I ALSO WANT TO THANK THE Y.O.U. BOARD FOR THEIR  
20 PROVISION OF THE GIFT CERTIFICATES AND BARNES AND MOBILE FOR  
21 SUPPLYING THEM. AND IT'S JUST WONDERFUL TO SEE THE SUCCESSES,  
22 TO SEE SO MANY FAMILIES HERE AND, ONCE AGAIN, CONGRATULATIONS  
23 TO ALL OF YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THIS IS THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER, 2005, IS  
2    BACK-TO-SCHOOL SAFETY MONTH, AND WE'D LIKE TO BRING UP TO US  
3    RIGHT NOW AND WELCOME BILL HOWARD FROM THE SAFE MOVES  
4    ORGANIZATION. OUR COUNTY IS HOME TO HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF  
5    YOUNG PEOPLE WHO WILL BE RETURNING TO SCHOOL THIS MONTH.  
6    TRAFFIC-RELATED COLLISIONS ARE THE LEARNING-- LEADING CAUSE OF  
7    DEATH AMONG ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CHILDREN IN OUR COUNTY. TRAFFIC  
8    SAFETY EDUCATION IS KEY TO REDUCING THE NUMBER OF FATALITIES  
9    AND ACCIDENTS. SAFE MOVES, A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION, IS THE  
10    LEADING AUTHORITY IN TRAFFIC SAFETY IN OUR COUNTY AND COUNTRY.  
11    SAFE MOVES HAS NOT ONLY BEEN CREDITED WITH SAVING THOUSANDS OF  
12    CHILDREN'S LIVES THROUGH EDUCATION BUT ALSO THROUGH  
13    LEGISLATION WITH NEW TRAFFIC SAFETY LAWS. THEY CONDUCT SEVERAL  
14    PROGRAMS FOR OUR COUNTY, INCLUDING WHEEL SMARTS, A PROGRAM  
15    ABOUT THE DANGERS AND CONSEQUENCES OF DRIVING UNDER THE  
16    INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL OR DRUGS. KIDS IN CARS, A PROGRAM TO  
17    EDUCATE MIDDLE SCHOOLS STUDENTS ON THE TRAGIC SAFETY  
18    RESPONSIBILITY AND SKILLS NECESSARY WHEN RIDING IN A VEHICLE  
19    AND, IN CONJUNCTION WITH MY OFFICE, SAFE MOVES, THE CALIFORNIA  
20    HIGHWAY PATROL AND THE L.A. COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT WILL  
21    CONDUCT BACK-TO-SCHOOL SAFETY DAYS ON SEPTEMBER 23RD AT  
22    BURBANK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN ALTADENA TO GENERATE AWARENESS OF  
23    THE IMPORTANCE OF TRAFFIC SAFETY. SO, TO FURTHER THIS GOAL,  
24    WE'RE PLEASED TO JOIN SAFE MOVES IN DECLARING THE MONTH OF



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1 SEPTEMBER AS BACK-TO-SCHOOL SAFETY MONTH IN OUR COUNTY. [

2 APPLAUSE ]

3

4 **BILL HOWARD:** I'D LIKE TO SAY GOOD MORNING TO THE SUPERVISORS.

5 MY NAME IS BILL HOWARD. I'M KNOWN AS "SAFETY BILL" TO MY

6 STUDENTS. I AM A PROGRAM REPRESENTATIVE FOR SAFE MOVES AND, ON

7 BEHALF OF SAFE MOVES AND PAT HINES, THE FOUNDER AND EXECUTIVE

8 DIRECTOR OF SAFE MOVES, WE'D LIKE TO THANK THE LOS ANGELES

9 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR ACKNOWLEDGING SEPTEMBER AS

10 BACK-TO-SCHOOL SAFETY MONTH. SAFE MOVES HAS SERVED LOS ANGELES

11 COUNTY WITH SAFETY PROGRAMS SINCE 1990 AND WE ARE PROUD TO

12 PROVIDE ELEMENTARY, MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOLS WITH WHEEL SMARTS

13 AND KIDS-FOR-CARS PROGRAMS FUNDED BY THE CALIFORNIA OFFICE OF

14 TRAFFIC SAFETY IN 2005. THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW WE WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME LOUISE LEIGH,

17 WHO IS THE FOUNDER OF CONSTITUTION DAY, INCORPORATED, WHO IS

18 HERE TO JOIN THE BOARD IN DECLARING SEPTEMBER 17TH AS

19 CONSTITUTION DAY THROUGHOUT OUR COUNTY. ON SEPTEMBER 17TH, IN

20 1787, 218 YEARS AGO, THE 58-- 55 DELEGATES TO THE

21 CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION HELD THEIR FINAL MEETING TO SIGN THE

22 CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES, WHICH WAS THE FOUNDATION OF

23 OUR REPUBLIC. AFTER BEING SIGNED, CONGRESS SENT THE PRINTED

24 COPIES OF THE CONSTITUTIONS TO THE VARIOUS STATE LEGISLATURES

25 FOR RATIFICATION. BY JUNE 21ST, 1788, NINE STATES HAD APPROVED



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1 THE CONSTITUTION, FINALLY FORMING A MORE PERFECT UNION. LOUISE  
2 LEIGH FOUNDED CONSTITUTION DAY TO PERPETUATE THE CONSTITUTION  
3 TO EACH SUCCEEDING GENERATION AND TO DEMONSTRATE THE NEED TO  
4 PROTECT AND DEFEND THOSE LIBERTIES THAT WE HAVE. PRESIDENT  
5 GEORGE W. BUSH SIGNED INTO LAW ON DECEMBER 8TH PUBLIC LAW  
6 108447 ESTABLISHING 17TH OF SEPTEMBER AS CONSTITUTION DAY. AS  
7 PART OF THIS NATIONAL CELEBRATION, CHILDREN IN OUR PUBLIC AND  
8 PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS WILL PARTICIPATE IN A SIMULTANEOUS  
9 RECITATION OF THE PREAMBLE TO THE CONSTITUTION LED BY GENERAL  
10 TOMMY FRANKS ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16TH. THIS WILL TAKE PLACE  
11 AT 11:00 A.M. PACIFIC STANDARD TIME. ALL AMERICANS ARE  
12 ENCOURAGED TO PARTICIPATE BY LOGGING ON TO  
13 WWW.CONSTITUTIONDAY.COM AT THAT TIME AS WE CELEBRATE  
14 CONSTITUTION DAY THROUGHOUT OUR COUNTY. MANY THANKS TO LOUISE  
15 FOR HER HARD WORK, DEDICATION, AND CREATIVITY IN SPEARHEADING  
16 THIS EVENT CELEBRATING THE HISTORY OF OUR GREAT NATION. SO,  
17 LOUISE? [ APPLAUSE ]

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WITH LOUISE IS ANGIE PAPADAKOS FROM OUR  
20 COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION WHO HAS SERVED THE COUNTY SO WELL  
21 FOR SO MANY YEARS. SO, LOUISE, YOU WANT TO SAY A FEW WORDS?

22

23 **LOUISE LEIGH:** I'D LIKE TO THANK THE COUNTY BOARD OF  
24 SUPERVISORS AND ESPECIALLY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH FOR THIS  
25 GREAT HONOR. AND, AS YOU KNOW, I'VE BEEN TRYING TO MAKE



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1 SEPTEMBER 17 THE OFFICIAL DAY TO RECOGNIZE THE CONSTITUTION  
2 FOR THE PAST 8 YEARS BUT, DUE TO THE FACT THAT PRESIDENT BUSH  
3 SIGNED THE BILL LAST DECEMBER 8TH, 2004, THIS YEAR IT HAS  
4 REALLY EXPLODED. WE'RE JUST GETTING THOUSANDS AND THOUSANDS OF  
5 SCHOOLS ALL OVER THE COUNTRY AND THEY'RE GOING TO PARTICIPATE  
6 IN THE PREAMBLE, SO I HOPE THAT THE WHOLE NATION WILL DO THAT  
7 EVERY YEAR. THAT IS MY DREAM AND IT'S COMING TRUE. THANK YOU  
8 VERY MUCH. [ APPLAUSE ]

9

10 **ANGIE PAPADAKOS:** YES, NOT ONLY LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF  
11 EDUCATION BUT THE ENTIRE NATION. TO RECOGNIZE OUR  
12 CONSTITUTION, WHEN WE'RE PICKING OUT SUPREME COURT JUSTICES,  
13 WHEN THE CONSTITUTION IS THE VERY BASIS OF OUR FREEDOM AND  
14 WHAT WE MEAN AS AMERICANS, I THINK IT'S WONDERFUL THAT LOUISE  
15 LEIGH GAVE HER-- GAVE 10 YEARS OF HER LIFE-- MORE THAN 10  
16 YEARS OF HER LIFE PERSISTENTLY GETTING THE RECOGNITION THAT  
17 THE CONSTITUTION DESERVES, AND I THANK-- I THANK HER AND I  
18 THANK EVERYONE WHO HELPED MAKE THIS DAY POSSIBLE AND I THANK  
19 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW WE HAVE LITTLE JENNY, WHO IS EIGHT WEEKS  
22 OLD, IT'S A SHEPHERD MIX, GERMAN SHEPHERD MIX. AND THOSE WHO  
23 ARE WATCHING AT HOME CAN CALL AREA CODE (562) 728-4644 FOR  
24 LITTLE JENNY. SHE MATCHES MY COAT. AND LITTLE JENNY CAN BE  
25 YOURS FOR CONSTITUTION DAY. SEE EVERYBODY OUT THERE?



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, YOUR SPECIALS,  
3 PLEASE.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAM CHAIR, I'M GOING TO INTRODUCE A MOTION  
6 FOR-- I DON'T KNOW IF IT'S FOR NEXT WEEK OR FOR TODAY AND I  
7 JUST GOT AN EMAIL, I UNDERSTAND MR. ANTONOVICH HAS A SIMILAR  
8 MOTION, AND THIS IS COLLATERAL DAMAGE FROM THE BROWN ACT SINCE  
9 WE DON'T TALK TO EACH OTHER BUT IT RELATES TO THE ARTICLE THAT  
10 APPEARED IN THIS MORNING'S PAPER REGARDING THE ENFORCEMENT OF  
11 PROPOSITION B, THE COUNTY CAMPAIGN FINANCE PROPOSITION LAW AND  
12 I WOULD SUGGEST THAT BOTH MOTIONS, I HAVEN'T READ HIS ENTIRE  
13 ONE, BUT BOTH MOTIONS BE CONSIDERED, I THINK THEY BOTH END UP  
14 IN THE SAME SORT OF PLACE. BUT I WANT TO JUST SAY THAT-- WELL,  
15 LET ME READ THIS MOTION. WHEREAS THE PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES  
16 COUNTY OVERWHELMINGLY APPROVED PROPOSITION B IN 1996 IN ORDER  
17 TO REDUCE THE INFLUENCE THAT CAMPAIGN FUNDS HAVE ON COUNTY  
18 GOVERNMENTAL PROCESSES AND WHEREAS PROPOSITION B HAS BEEN  
19 SUCCESSFUL IN REDUCING THE AMOUNT OF MONEY INDIVIDUALS AND  
20 COMPANIES CONTRIBUTE TO COUNTY CAMPAIGNS AND THE AMOUNT OF  
21 TIME CANDIDATES SPEND RAISING CAMPAIGN FUNDS AND, IN SO DOING,  
22 HAS REDUCED THE INFLUENCE OF CAMPAIGN FUNDS ON GOVERNMENTAL  
23 PROCESS, AND-- SHHH-- WHEREAS PROPOSITION B IS CRYSTAL CLEAR  
24 IN ASSIGNING RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE ENFORCEMENT OF VIOLATIONS  
25 OF THIS LAW TO THE DISTRICT ATTORNEYS-- TO DISTRICT ATTORNEY



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1 OF THIS COUNTY, AND WHEREAS THERE APPEARS TO BE CONFUSION OR  
2 AMBIGUITY AS TO THE ASSIGNMENT OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR SCREENING  
3 CAMPAIGN FINANCE FILINGS IN ORDER TO DETERMINE COMPLIANCE WITH  
4 PROPOSITION B AND THE NEED FOR A REFERRAL TO THE DISTRICT  
5 ATTORNEY FOR ENFORCEMENT, AND WHEREAS THIS CONFUSION MAY HAVE  
6 RESULTED IN THE LACK OF ENFORCEMENT OR HAS RESULTED IN THE  
7 LACK OF ENFORCEMENT OF CERTAIN PROPOSITION B PROVISIONS ON A  
8 NUMBER OF OCCASIONS SINCE ITS PASSAGE, I THEREFORE MOVE THAT  
9 THE COUNTY COUNSEL, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY  
10 AND THE COUNTY REGISTRAR, PRESENT A PLAN TO THE BOARD OF  
11 SUPERVISORS WITHIN 4 WEEKS THAT, NUMBER 1, ASSIGNS THE  
12 RESPONSIBILITY FOR SCREENING CAMPAIGN FINANCE FILINGS FOR  
13 COMPLIANCE WITH PROP B REQUIREMENTS TO THE COUNTY REGISTRAR-  
14 RECORDER, TO ESTABLISH AS A PROTOCOL BY WHICH THE REGISTRAR  
15 REFERS VIOLATIONS OF PROPOSITION B TO THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY AS  
16 CALLED FOR IN PROPOSITION B, THREE, ENSURES THAT THE DISTRICT  
17 ATTORNEY ENFORCES THE COUNTY'S CAMPAIGN FINANCE LAWS AS  
18 PROVIDED IN PROPOSITION B AND, 4, INCLUDES FUNDING FOR  
19 STAFFING NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THESE RECOMMENDATIONS. AND  
20 THAT COULD ALL BE PART OF THE REPORT BACK, THE STAFFING PLAN  
21 WOULD BE PART OF THE REPORT BACK IN 4 WEEKS. MADAM CHAIR, I  
22 JUST WANT TO SAY I THINK ALL OF US WERE HERE WHEN WE PUT  
23 PROPOSITION B ON THE BALLOT. I THINK IT HAS WORKED. I THINK  
24 IT'S UNFORTUNATE THAT A HANDFUL OF ITEMS HAVE COME-- HAVE  
25 BROUGHT THIS TO THE FORE, BUT WHAT'S MORE TROUBLESOME TO ME





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1 THAN THE HALF A DOZEN OR SO, WHAT APPEAR TO BE ERRANT ISSUES  
2 THAT WERE RAISED IN THE PAPER THIS MORNING IS THE FACT THAT  
3 THE PEOPLE VOTED TO ASSIGN THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR ENFORCEMENT  
4 TO THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE AND THAT HASN'T BEEN DONE.  
5 I'VE DISCUSSED IT WITH THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY AND I THINK  
6 THERE'S A WAY TO ADDRESS THAT ISSUE. HE HAD SOME STATUTORY  
7 CONCERNS, AND I RESPECT THAT, BUT I THINK THERE'S A WAY TO  
8 DEAL WITH THAT THROUGH AN APPROACH LIKE THIS. WE'VE ALL--  
9 MOST-- ALL OF US HAVE BEEN LIVING WITH THAT MEASURE AND I  
10 THINK HAVE ATTEMPTED TO COMPLY WITH IT TO THE LETTER FOR THE  
11 LAST 9 YEARS. IT CAME AS QUITE A SURPRISE TO ME THAT IT WASN'T  
12 BEING-- FORGET IT WASN'T BEING ENFORCED, IT WASN'T EVEN BEING  
13 LOOKED AT. SO WE NEED TO HAVE A SCREENING PROCESS, WE NEED TO  
14 HAVE A PROCESS BY WHICH IT IS TRIAGED AND THEN REFERRED TO THE  
15 DISTRICT ATTORNEY FOR ENFORCEMENT IF THAT PROVES NECESSARY AND  
16 I THINK THERE'S A METHODOLOGY BY WHICH THAT COULD BE DONE AND  
17 THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY AND THE COUNTY REGISTRAR ARE GOING TO BE  
18 KEY TO THAT. AND THAT'S WHAT I WOULD ASK. I THINK FOUR WEEKS  
19 IS ENOUGH TIME TO WORK OUT THAT PROTOCOL. SHOULD WE PUT THIS  
20 ON FOR NEXT WEEK OR IS IT A REPORT BACK? I DON'T KNOW HOW YOU  
21 DESCRIBE THIS.

22

23 **RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR.:** MADAM CHAIR, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY,  
24 THE MOTION, IN ESSENCE, A REQUEST FOR A REPORT BACK. YOU'VE  
25 CALLED IT A PLAN BUT THAT'S A REPORT BACK. AND, ALTHOUGH THE



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1 BROWN ACT WOULD PREVENT A LENGTHY DISCUSSION TODAY OF THE  
2 MERITS BACK AND FORTH, YOU CAN INTRODUCE AND APPROVE THE  
3 MOTION TODAY.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. THEN I WOULD SO MOVE.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ON THAT POINT, LET ME ALSO INTRODUCE MY  
8 MOTION AT THIS TIME BECAUSE IT'S RELEVANT.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I MOVE THAT THE BOARD DIRECT THE REGISTRAR  
13 RECORDER, COUNTY CLERK TO REPORT IN 30 DAYS ON THE  
14 DEPARTMENT'S ABILITY TO ESTABLISH A COMPLIANCE UNIT TO MONITOR  
15 COMPLIANCE WITH THE COUNTY ORDINANCE GOVERNING POLITICAL  
16 CONTRIBUTIONS BY THE EIGHT COUNTY ELECTED OFFICIALS. FURTHER  
17 MOVE THAT, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY GRANTED HER UNDER THE  
18 ORDINANCE, THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER RECOMMEND RULES FOR THE  
19 BOARD'S CONSIDERATION PROVIDING THAT, IN ANY INSTANCE WHERE  
20 THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER DETERMINES THAT A CANDIDATE/OFFICE  
21 HOLDER IS OUT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE ORDINANCE, THE  
22 CANDIDATE/OFFICE HOLDER SHALL BE NOTIFIED OF THE NONCOMPLIANT  
23 ACTIVITY AND COMPLIANT ACTIVITY AND CANDIDATE/OFFICE HOLDER  
24 SHALL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO CORRECT THE NONCOMPLIANCE. THE  
25 PROPOSED RULE SHALL PROVIDE THAT, IF A CANDIDATE/OFFICE HOLDER



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1 DOES NOT CORRECT THE NONCOMPLIANCE, THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER  
2 SHALL REFER THE FINDINGS OF VIOLATION TO THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY  
3 OR, IN THE CASE OF AN ALLEGED VIOLATION BY THE DISTRICT  
4 ATTORNEY, THE FINDINGS OF VIOLATION SHALL BE REFERRED TO AN  
5 APPROPRIATE STATE AGENCY.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I WOULD ONLY ASK, MIKE, IF YOU-- ONE TWEAK  
8 TO THE SECOND PARAGRAPH, WHICH WOULD BE THAT THAT BE-- THAT WE  
9 NOT BE LIMITED TO THAT OPTION, THAT THE COUNTY COUNSEL AND THE  
10 OTHER TWO DEPARTMENTS COME BACK WITH OTHER OPTIONS AS WELL.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT'S FINE.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT WAY IT'S ALSO A REPORT BACK.

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT'S ALL A REPORT BACK.

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18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO IS THIS, AGAIN, THE SAME THING, IN FOUR  
19 WEEKS, ALL OF IT COLLECTIVELY?

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** 30 DAYS.

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23 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. ALL RIGHT. WE HAVE THOSE TWO  
24 MOTIONS BEFORE US. THEY'VE BEEN MOVED BY SUPERVISOR  
25 YAROSLAVSKY AND SUPERVISOR BURKE ON MR. YAROSLAVSKY'S MOTION



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1 AND MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND SUPERVISOR KNABE ON HIS  
2 MOTION. IS THERE ANY OBJECTION? IF NOT, SO ORDERED.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAM CHAIR, I THINK I'LL YIELD BACK TO YOU.  
5 YOU HAVE A SPECIAL PRESENTATION.

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7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YES. WE DO WANT TO HAVE A SPECIAL  
8 PRESENTATION. IF I COULD ASK CONSTANCE PERROT TO JOIN US,  
9 PLEASE, TO COME AND SPEAK TO US ABOUT THE LATEST, OR AT LEAST  
10 AN UPDATE ON ALL THE INFORMATION THAT WE SHOULD BE GETTING  
11 WITH REGARD TO THE EVACUATION PROCESS. WE'VE BEEN UP AND DOWN,  
12 WE'VE BEEN AS PREPARED AS POSSIBLE, AND I NEVER KNOW WHAT THE  
13 LATEST IS BUT SHE'S GOING TO SHARE WITH US THE LATEST ASPECTS  
14 OF OUR EVACUATION PROGRAM AND OUR OUTREACH TO THE EVACUEES  
15 FROM NEW ORLEANS. SO I'LL TURN IT OVER TO YOU, CONSTANCE.

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17 **CONSTANCE PERROT:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS  
18 OF THE BOARD. GOOD MORNING. THERE ARE ACTUALLY FOUR OF US HERE  
19 THIS MORNING TO GIVE YOU AN UPDATE ON WHAT IS GOING ON WITH  
20 HURRICANE KATRINA, AND WHAT WE'D LIKE TO DO, WITH YOUR  
21 APPROVAL, IS I WILL GIVE AN OVERVIEW OF THE TASK FORCE  
22 ACTIVITIES, PLUS I WILL REPORT A LITTLE BIT ABOUT WHAT COUNTY  
23 EMPLOYEES ARE DOING AND THEN I WILL TURN IT OVER TO BRYCE  
24 YOKOMIZO TO TALK ABOUT SPECIFIC HUMAN SERVICES ISSUES, TO  
25 CAROL MEYER TO TALK ABOUT THE IMPACTS IN THE HEALTH SERVICES



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1 COMMUNITY AND THEN TO MARY BELL MARINE TO TALK ABOUT THE 2-1-1  
2 SERVICES. SO LET ME BEGIN, IF I MAY. THE TASK FORCE WAS PUT  
3 TOGETHER, ACTUALLY, OVER THE WEEKEND LAST WEEKEND, BETWEEN  
4 SATURDAY AND SUNDAY. A LARGE CONTINGENT OF IMPORTANT AGENCIES  
5 WERE BROUGHT TOGETHER, AND A CONFERENCE CALL MEETING WAS DONE  
6 ON LABOR DAY TO SET THE WHEELS IN MOTION FOR TWO ISSUES. WE  
7 WERE LOOKING AT TWO IMPORTANT AND CRITICAL ISSUES. ONE IS THE  
8 POTENTIAL MASS EVACUATION OF A LARGE NUMBER OF DISASTER  
9 VICTIMS THAT MIGHT COME INTO LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND, NUMBER 2,  
10 THE AD HOC OR SPONTANEOUS EVACUEES THAT ARE ARRIVING HERE ON A  
11 DAILY BASIS AND ARE ALSO IN NEED OF COUNTY SERVICES AND  
12 OUTREACH. SO THE MISSION OF THE TASK FORCE WAS TO ADDRESS BOTH  
13 OF THOSE TYPES OF EVACUEES. THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF EMERGENCY  
14 SERVICES HAD ORIGINALLY ASKED US TO IDENTIFY HOW MANY BEDS THE  
15 COUNTY THOUGHT IT COULD MAKE AVAILABLE RATHER QUICKLY AND HOW  
16 SUCCESSFUL WE COULD BE IN ACCEPTING EVACUEES. SO WE PUT A LOT  
17 OF EFFORT INTO DEVELOPING THAT CAPABILITY. SINCE THAT TIME,  
18 THERE HAS BEEN A CHANGE AND F.E.M.A. IS REEXAMINING WHAT  
19 THEY'RE DOING WITH THE EVACUEES THAT ARE CURRENTLY IN HOUSTON,  
20 FOR EXAMPLE, AND IN OTHER AREAS, AND THE NEED TO AIR LIFT  
21 PEOPLE FORMALLY THROUGH GOVERNMENT CHANNELS HAS BEEN PUT ON  
22 HOLD FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY AREA. WE ARE STILL CONTINUING  
23 WITH OUR PLANNING BECAUSE WE REALIZE THIS IS A FLUID SITUATION  
24 AND IT COULD CHANGE BUT NOW OUR FOCUS HAS BEEN REDIRECTED TO  
25 THE SERVICES THAT ARE NEEDED FOR THE EVACUEES THAT ARE



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1 ACTUALLY ALREADY HERE. I JUST WANT TO MENTION TO YOU THAT ALL  
2 5 BOARD OFFICES HAVE BEEN REPRESENTED ON THE TASK FORCE. THE  
3 TASK FORCE WAS KICKED OFF BY CHAIR MOLINA IN PARTNERSHIP WITH  
4 MAYOR VIA RIGOSA, AND WE'VE HAD EXCELLENT PARTICIPATION AND  
5 SUPPORT, NOT ONLY FROM OUR BOARD OFFICES, BUT FROM THE CITY OF  
6 LOS ANGELES AND MANY OTHER AGENCIES. THERE ARE ACTUALLY 20  
7 AGENCIES, LAST COUNT, THAT ARE IN THIS TASK FORCE. AND I WANT  
8 TO MENTION ONE OTHER THING AND THEN I WILL TALK ABOUT EMPLOYEE  
9 DEPLOYMENTS AND SO FORTH. THE GOVERNOR HAS REQUESTED THAT THE  
10 PRESIDENT DECLARE A STATE OF EMERGENCY IN CALIFORNIA. THERE IS  
11 NO RESPONSE YET FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO THAT REQUEST. I  
12 WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ALL UNDERSTAND THAT, ALTHOUGH IT'S  
13 BEEN REQUESTED, WE HAVE NO RESPONSE YET AND YOUR BOARD,  
14 FOLLOWING THE MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA, HAS DECLARED A  
15 LOCAL EMERGENCY HERE. AND ALL OF THOSE STEPS PAVE THE WAY FOR  
16 POTENTIAL FEDERAL ASSISTANCE TO HELP THE COUNTY AND OTHER  
17 IMPACTED AGENCIES WITH COST REIMBURSEMENT FOR SERVICES TO THE  
18 HURRICANE KATRINA VICTIMS. SO WE ARE ENCOURAGED THAT, IF WE  
19 CAN GET THAT FEDERAL STATE OF EMERGENCY DECLARATION, THERE  
20 WILL BE SOME SUPPORT FOR THE COSTS THAT THE COUNTY IS ALREADY  
21 INCURRING BUT I JUST WANT TO EMPHASIZE THAT DECISION HAS NOT  
22 COME DOWN YET FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. I'M GOING TO SWITCH  
23 SUBJECTS FOR JUST A QUICK MOMENT AND LET YOU KNOW THAT, RIGHT  
24 NOW, ACCORDING TO LAST EVENING, THE NUMBERS DO CHANGE RATHER  
25 QUICKLY BUT, AS OF LAST EVENING, WE HAD 161 COUNTY EMPLOYEES





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1   SOMEWHERE ON THE GROUND IN THE GULF AREA, INCLUDING SHERIFF'S  
2   REPRESENTATIVE, HEALTH SERVICES REPRESENTATIVE, FIRE  
3   REPRESENTATIVES, CORONER REPRESENTATIVES AND ONE MEMBER OF THE  
4   OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT. IN ADDITION, WE HAVE BEEN  
5   POLLING VOLUNTEERS FROM THE COUNTY FAMILY WHO COULD  
6   POTENTIALLY BE USED TO SUPPORT THE AMERICAN RED CROSS. IN  
7   OTHER WORDS, RED CROSS VOLUNTEERS. AND, AS OF YESTERDAY, WE  
8   HAD IDENTIFIED 502 BUT THAT NUMBER CONTINUES TO GROW AS WELL,  
9   AND WE KNOW EACH DAY THERE ARE OTHER DEPARTMENTS IDENTIFYING  
10   STAFF THAT MAY BE AVAILABLE TO GO ON RED CROSS ASSIGNMENTS.  
11   WE'RE ALSO IN THE PROGRESS OF DOING A SKILLS SURVEY FOR ALL  
12   COUNTY EMPLOYEES AND THIS WAS AT THE REQUEST OF THE STATE AND  
13   A MOTION BY YOUR BOARD AND, SO FAR, WE'VE IDENTIFIED 1,111  
14   EMPLOYEES REPRESENTING A WIDE VARIETY OF SKILLS. SO THERE ARE  
15   A LOT OF GOOD TALENTED RESOURCES IN THE COUNTY FAMILY THAT ARE  
16   BEING IDENTIFIED FOR POSSIBLE USE OR DEPLOYMENT IN SUPPORT OF  
17   HURRICANE KATRINA. WHAT I'D LIKE TO DO NOW IS ASK BRYCE  
18   YOKOMIZO TO SPEAK ABOUT D.P.S.S.' INVOLVEMENT WITH THE TASK  
19   FORCE.

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21   **BRYCE YOKOMIZO:** MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, BRYCE  
22   YOKOMIZO, D.P.S.S. I WOULD LIKE TO BRIEF YOUR BOARD ON THE  
23   SOCIAL SERVICES IMPACT THAT WE'VE SEEN AS A RESULT OF KATRINA.  
24   AS OF THIS MORNING, WE HAD OVER 800 APPLICATIONS FOR  
25   ASSISTANCE THAT HAVE BEEN MADE BY INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES



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1 FROM THE GULF REGION. MOST OF THESE INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES  
2 HAVE COME OUT, AS CONSTANCE INDICATED, ON AN AD HOC BASIS, SO  
3 THEY HAVE MADE THEIR WAY OUT TO THE WEST COAST, TO LOS ANGELES  
4 OR, IN MANY INSTANCES, THEY HAD ALREADY BEEN HERE VISITING  
5 RELATIVES AND FRIENDS AND THEY DO HAVE A SUPPORT STRUCTURE IN  
6 PLACE HERE BUT NONETHELESS THEY HAVE MADE APPLICATIONS FOR  
7 ASSISTANCE WITH US. IN ADDITION TO THE 800 APPLICATIONS THAT  
8 WE'VE TAKEN IN OUR D.P.S.S. OFFICES, WE HAVE TEAMS DEPLOYED TO  
9 CENTERS LIKE THE DREAM CENTER, FOR EXAMPLE, WHERE WE CAN OFFER  
10 COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES AT THOSE LOCATIONS, SO WE DO HAVE MOBILE  
11 TEAMS AVAILABLE FOR THAT PURPOSE AS WELL. THE DEPARTMENT OF  
12 PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES HAS BEEN TASKED WITH COORDINATING ALL  
13 HUMAN SERVICES IN OUR COUNTY. SO WE'RE WORKING WITH ALL OF THE  
14 OTHER HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENTS, HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH,  
15 CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES, COMMUNITY AND SENIOR SERVICES AS  
16 WELL AS C.D.C. AND L.A.C.O.E. TO REALLY ENSURE THAT WE'VE GOT  
17 A WELL COORDINATED HUMAN SERVICES EFFORT. IN THE EVENT THAT  
18 THERE IS A FORMAL EVACUATION TO LOS ANGELES, WE WANT TO MAKE  
19 SURE THAT WE'RE PREPARED TO DO THAT. WE'VE GOT, IN ADDITION TO  
20 THAT, A HUNDRED TRAINED D.P.S.S. RED CROSS TRAINED SHELTER  
21 MANAGERS IN THE EVENT THAT WE HAVE TO GO TO SHELTERING  
22 INDIVIDUALS THAT COME AS A RESULT OF A FORMAL EVACUATION OF  
23 THOSE IMPACTED BY KATRINA HERE TO LOS ANGELES. WE ALSO ARE  
24 WORKING ON A COMPUTERIZED TRACKING SYSTEM SO THAT WE CAN DO A  
25 GOOD JOB TRACKING THOSE INDIVIDUALS THAT DO COME IN FOR COUNTY



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1 SERVICES THAT HAVE BEEN IMPACTED BY HURRICANE KATRINA. THE  
2 DEPARTMENTS ARE ALSO SETTING UP THEIR OWN TOLL FREE 1-800  
3 NUMBERS SO THAT WE CAN PROVIDE BETTER ACCESS TO THE PUBLIC IN  
4 NEED OF OUR SERVICES. SO, OVERALL, WE'RE COORDINATING EFFORTS  
5 AMONG ALL THE HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENTS. I WANT TO THANK THE  
6 HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT HEADS BECAUSE THEY'VE BEEN VERY,  
7 VERY COOPERATIVE IN HELPING US PUT THIS EFFORT TOGETHER. SO,  
8 WITH THAT, I'LL TURN IT OVER TO CAROL MEYER, WHO WILL PROVIDE  
9 A LITTLE INFORMATION ON OUR HEALTH NEEDS.

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11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WE JUST WANTED TO ASK A COUPLE OF  
12 QUESTIONS.

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14 **BRYCE YOKOMIZO:** SURE.

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16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** DID YOU GIVE US THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO  
17 HAVE MADE APPLICATION?

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19 **BRYCE YOKOMIZO:** YES, I DID, SUPERVISOR. IT'S OVER 800  
20 APPLICATIONS. THAT'S ABOUT 750 IN OUR D.P.S.S. OFFICES AND  
21 THERE WERE 78 APPLICATIONS THAT WE'VE TAKEN SO FAR AT DREAM  
22 CENTER.

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24 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** AND SO THIS, AGAIN, IS THE INFORMAL  
25 EVACUATION FOLKS. HOW DO YOU ESTABLISH RESIDENCY FOR THOSE



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1 INDIVIDUALS OR DO THEY COME UNDER ANOTHER FEDERAL PROGRAM OF  
2 SOME TYPE?

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4 **BRYCE YOKOMIZO:** IN THE CASE OF AN EMERGENCY, SUPERVISOR, THE  
5 NORMAL REQUIREMENTS THAT WE WOULD HAVE FOR RESIDENCY ARE  
6 WAIVED AND WE SET THOSE ASIDE AND WE ARE ABLE TO ISSUE  
7 IMMEDIATE SERVICES.

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9 **SUP. BURKE:** I WOULD JUST LIKE TO TIE DOWN EXACTLY HOW YOU  
10 HANDLE THIS. WE RAN INTO PEOPLE WHO ARE HAVING DIFFICULTY IN  
11 TERMS OF IDENTIFYING FUNDS FOR HOUSING. I WAS AT A CENTER ON  
12 SATURDAY. THERE WAS HOUSING THAT WAS IDENTIFIED BUT THE NEXT  
13 THING GETS TO BE WHO AND HOW DO YOU QUALIFY IN ORDER TO GET  
14 SOME KIND OF REPAYMENT OR PAYMENT FOR THAT HOUSING. NOW, FOR  
15 ONE THING, DO YOU HAVE TO REGISTER WITH F.E.M.A. FIRST IN  
16 ORDER TO QUALIFY FOR ANY FUNDS FOR ASSISTANCE?

17

18 **BRYCE YOKOMIZO:** SUPERVISOR, IN ORDER FOR AN INDIVIDUAL TO  
19 QUALIFY FOR F.E.M.A., THEY DO HAVE TO BE F.E.M.A. REGISTERED,  
20 AND THAT'S ONE OF THE POINTS THAT WE'RE WORKING ON RIGHT NOW  
21 TO MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE A MEANS OF CAPTURING THAT F.E.M.A.  
22 DATA. BUT THOSE THAT ARE HERE IN LOS ANGELES CURRENTLY, MANY  
23 OF THEM HAVE ACCESSED F.E.M.A. BENEFITS AND HAVE BEEN HELPED  
24 THROUGH THE RED CROSS TO SECURE HOUSING, BUT HOUSING IS  
25 DEFINITELY A KEY ISSUE.



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**SUP. BURKE:** IF WE IDENTIFY HOUSING AND WE HAVE THE FAMILY, HOW DO WE MOVE FORWARD TO GET SOME KIND OF ASSISTANCE IN PAYING FOR THAT HOUSING? NOW, THE PEOPLE WHO TOOK THEM THIS WEEKEND SAID THEY WOULD TAKE THEM TEMPORARILY BUT, ON A LONG-TERM BASIS, THEY WANTED TO GET SOME INFORMATION AS FAR AS GETTING SOME ABILITY TO PAY SOMETHING. AND WE IDENTIFIED PEOPLE, LIKE 110 APARTMENTS, BUT WE DO NEED TO FIND OUT, AND WHAT I NEED TO UNDERSTAND IS WHAT DO THEY HAVE TO DO? NOW, THEY WENT-- THEY WERE FROM DREAM CENTER BUT THEY WERE PART OF THE OVERLOAD BECAUSE DREAM CENTER, AS I UNDERSTAND, HAD SAID THAT THEY HAD TAKEN AS MANY PEOPLE AS THEY COULD ON THE WEEKEND. SO WHAT DO THEY DO, HOW DO THEY QUALIFY FOR FUNDS TO BE ABLE TO PAY FOR HOUSING?

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**BRYCE YOKOMIZO:** SUPERVISOR, MOST OF THE RESIDENTS THAT ARE HERE NOW FROM THE GULF REGION ARE THOSE WHO HAVE A SUPPORT STRUCTURE HERE IN PLACE. THEY WERE EITHER STAYING WITH FRIENDS OR FAMILY BUT, YOU'RE RIGHT, AS TIME GOES ON, THERE IS GOING TO BE A NEED FOR HOUSING AND WHAT WE'VE DONE IS WE'RE WORKING WITH C.D.C., OUR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION IS REALLY WORKING ON REALLY SECURING MORE IN THE WAY OF ALTERNATIVES FORCE. WE'VE BEEN WORKING VERY, VERY CLOSE WITH THE CITY. THEY HAVE IDENTIFIED POTENTIAL AREAS WHERE WE COULD BE MOVING INTO. WE'VE GOT ALSO THE APARTMENT OWNERS ASSOCIATION AS WELL AS THE



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1 HOTEL OWNERS ASSOCIATIONS HAVE REALLY COME FORWARD AND HAVE  
2 IDENTIFIED POTENTIAL HOUSING THAT WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO USE.  
3 NOW, IT'S NOT GOING TO BE SOME...

4

5 **SUP. BURKE:** ALL RIGHT. THIS FAMILY HAD NO PLACE. SHE WAS  
6 PREGNANT. SHE HAD NOWHERE TO GO. SHE HAD NO MONEY. NOW, WHAT  
7 DO WE SAY TO HER?

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9 **BRYCE YOKOMIZO:** IN THAT CASE, THE RED CROSS STANDS READY TO  
10 PROVIDE HOUSING FOR THOSE INDIVIDUALS. THEY ALREADY HAVE  
11 ARRANGEMENTS FOR HOUSING THAT HAVE ALREADY BEEN PREMADE AND  
12 OUR LOCAL CHAPTER HERE IS ABLE TO HANDLE THAT.

13

14 **SUP. BURKE:** SO THE RED CROSS IS THE ONE. NOW, WHAT IF WE  
15 IDENTIFIED HOUSING FOR HER, HOW DO WE GET THAT HOUSING PAID  
16 FOR?

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18 **BRYCE YOKOMIZO:** THE HOUSING-- IF YOU IDENTIFIED THE HOUSING  
19 FOR AN INDIVIDUAL, SUPERVISOR, THAT COULD BE-- WE COULD THEN  
20 STEP IN AT THAT POINT AND OFFER D.P.S.S. ASSISTANCE. IF SHE IS  
21 A PERSON THAT HAS, FOR EXAMPLE, A FAMILY OR IF SHE'S ON  
22 GENERAL RELIEF, WE CAN OFFER PUBLIC ASSISTANCE TO HELP HER PAY  
23 FOR THAT HOUSING.

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1   **SUP. BURKE:** AND SO WE SHOULD CONTACT D.P.S.S. AND, IN ORDER  
2   FOR YOU TO DO THAT, DOES SHE HAVE TO BE F.E.M.A. REGISTERED  
3   FIRST?

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5   **BRYCE YOKOMIZO:** SHE DOES NOT NECESSARILY HAVE TO BE F.E.M.A.  
6   REGISTERED, BECAUSE WE HAVE OUR ARRAY OF SERVICES THAT WOULD  
7   BE AVAILABLE TO ANY PERSON WHO WOULD APPLY FOR PUBLIC  
8   ASSISTANCE FROM US. SO IT'S NOT NECESSARILY A F.E.M.A.  
9   REGISTRATION THAT WOULD QUALIFY.

10

11   **SUP. KNABE:** BUT FOR REIMBURSEMENT YOU WOULD. FOR  
12   REIMBURSEMENT...

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14   **SUP. BURKE:** IS THERE A PERSON IN YOUR OFFICE WE SHOULD CALL?

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16   **SUP. KNABE:** YVONNE, CAN I JUST CLARIFY? FOR FEDERAL  
17   REIMBURSEMENT, YOU WOULD NEED TO BE REGISTERED, F.E.M.A.  
18   REGISTERED. I MEAN, THAT'S...

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20   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** BUT DON, WE'RE NOT RECEIVING ANY FORMAL...

21

22   **SUP. KNABE:** NO, I UNDERSTAND THAT BUT, I MEAN, AT SOME POINT,  
23   I MEAN, AS AN EXAMPLE, THE CITY OF HOUSTON, WHAT THEY'VE DONE  
24   IS THEY'VE FRONTED THE MONEY, YOU KNOW, WAITING AT SOME POINT,



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1 BUT THESE PEOPLE HAVE TO BE F.E.M.A. REGISTERED FOR WHATEVER  
2 ENTITY FORWARDS THE MONEY TO GET REIMBURSED AT SOME POINT.

3

4 **SUP. BURKE:** AND DOES IT HAVE TO BE DECLARED AN EMERGENCY ZONE  
5 BEFORE F.E.M.A. WILL GIVE THE MONEY FOR REIMBURSEMENT?

6

7 **SUP. KNABE:** I'M NOT SURE ABOUT THAT.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** DON, WHAT WE'RE HAVING AND I THINK THAT  
10 CONSTANCE CAN JOIN US, WE HAVE NO FORMAL, FORMAL EVACUEES FROM  
11 F.E.M.A., SO THEY'RE NOT GOING THROUGH THE REGISTRATION  
12 PROCESS. ALL OF OUR PEOPLE HERE SO FAR HAVE BEEN INFORMAL AND  
13 SO WE WERE PART OF THE FORMAL PROGRAM AND THEN WE WERE  
14 INFORMED THAT WE WERE NOT GOING TO RECEIVE ANY. I DON'T KNOW  
15 IF THERE'S BEEN AN UPDATE SINCE THEN...

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT INFORMAL OR FORMAL, YOU STILL HAVE TO  
18 REGISTER, RIGHT?

19

20 **SUP. BURKE:** BUT CAN YOU REGISTER FROM LOS ANGELES?

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22 **CONSTANCE:** SUPERVISORS, MAY I JUMP IN? WE ARE ENCOURAGING ALL  
23 EVACUEES, NO MATTER HOW THEY GOT HERE, TO PROMPTLY REGISTER  
24 WITH THE F.E.M.A. TELEREGISTRATION SITE. IT'S GOING TO DO A  
25 COUPLE OF THINGS. FIRST OF ALL, IT'S GOING TO TELL F.E.M.A.



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1 WHO THEY ARE AND IT'S GOING TO GET INTO THE F.E.M.A. SYSTEM  
2 AND THEY'RE GOING TO START TRACKING THEM AND KNOW THAT THESE  
3 ARE PEOPLE WHO NEED ASSISTANCE. IT'S ALSO GOING TO TELL US WHO  
4 THEY ARE AND THAT THEY'RE IN THIS COUNTY BECAUSE WE'LL BE ABLE  
5 TO GET INFORMATION FROM F.E.M.A. ABOUT THOSE THAT HAVE BEEN  
6 REGISTERED. I WOULD LIKE TO ENCOURAGE THIS, FOR ANY BOARD  
7 OFFICE WHO IS GETTING CONTACTS REGARDING THIS, NUMBER 1,  
8 INSTRUCT THE EVACUEES TO F.E.M.A. TELEREGISTER AND I WILL  
9 MENTION THE NUMBER NOW FOR THE CAMERAS, IF I MAY. THAT NUMBER  
10 IS 1-800-621-FEMA. F-E-M-A. THAT'S 1-800-621-F-E-M-A. I HOPE  
11 EVERYONE DOES THAT. SECONDLY, AND PLEASE, BRYCE, IF I'M  
12 STEPPING ON YOU, TELL ME SO, BUT WE WANT TO ALSO ENCOURAGE  
13 PEOPLE TO APPLY FOR RED CROSS SERVICES BECAUSE THE RED CROSS  
14 CAN DO A NUMBER OF THINGS TO ASSIST INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES  
15 THAT NEED HELP. I'M NOT HERE TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF THE RED  
16 CROSS BUT TO SAY THAT THEY ARE TAKING APPLICATIONS, THEY HAVE  
17 A NUMBER OF CASES ALREADY IN THEIR SYSTEM AND THEY ARE ANOTHER  
18 AVENUE IN ADDITION TO ALL OF THESE SERVICES THAT THE COUNTY  
19 SUPPORTS-- PROVIDES.

20

21 **SUP. BURKE:** WILL F.E.M.A. HAVE ANY-- OR DO THEY HAVE, FOR  
22 INSTANCE, AT DREAM CENTER, DO THEY ACTUALLY HAVE A DESK THERE  
23 WITH A F.E.M.A. PERSON? BECAUSE WE FOUND, DURING THE  
24 EARTHQUAKE, THE THING THAT WORKED BEST WAS WHAT WE HAD IS THAT  
25 WE SET UP A F.E.M.A. CENTER AND F.E.M.A. HAD REPRESENTATIVES



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1    THERE AS WELL AS THE RED CROSS AND IT WOULD REALLY WORK VERY  
2    WELL IF-- THE DREAM CENTER, OF COURSE, IS ONE PLACE BUT THERE  
3    ARE OTHER PLACES THAT THOSE OF US WHO WERE IMPACTED BY SOME OF  
4    THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE COME HERE, IF WE COULD HAVE A CENTER WHERE  
5    WE HAD A REPRESENTATIVE FROM D.P.S.S., FROM THE RED CROSS AND  
6    FROM F.E.M.A., IF WE COULD HAVE THEM IN ONE LOCATION WHERE  
7    PEOPLE WOULD KNOW TO COME HERE IN LOS ANGELES, PARTICULARLY  
8    THOSE PEOPLE WHO, IF THEY HAVE FAMILY, AN AWFUL LOT OF THAT  
9    FAMILY LIVES IN THE CRENSHAW AREA AND IN THAT AREA AROUND  
10    THERE, IT'S KIND OF LITTLE NEW ORLEANS AND IF WE COULD HAVE  
11    SOMETHING THAT'S SET UP THERE, I THINK IT WOULD BE VERY  
12    HELPFUL.

13

14    **BRYCE YOKOMIZO:** SUPERVISOR, IN ANTICIPATION OF THAT AND IN  
15    ANTICIPATION OF A FORMALIZED F.E.M.A. EVACUATION, WE'VE GOT  
16    PLANS IN PLACE, WE'VE BEEN MEETING WITH THE CITY OF LOS  
17    ANGELES. IN FACT, THOSE MEETINGS TOOK PLACE THIS MORNING TO  
18    FIRM UP A SITE THAT WE'VE ALREADY IDENTIFIED IN THE  
19    WESTCHESTER AREA THAT WOULD BE CLOSE TO THE AIRPORT AND OUR  
20    PLAN WOULD BE TO DO EXACTLY THAT. WE WOULD HAVE F.E.M.A. ON  
21    SITE AS WELL AS ALL SOCIAL SERVICES AGENCIES AND HUMAN  
22    SERVICES AVAILABLE IN OUR COUNTY.

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24    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. CAROL.

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1   **CAROL MEYER:** OKAY. LET ME GIVE YOU A LITTLE BIT OF AN OVERVIEW  
2   ABOUT WHAT THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT IS DOING WITH REGARDS TO  
3   THESE EVACUATIONS AND THE SITUATION IN THE GULF STATES. FIRST  
4   OF ALL, LOS ANGELES HEALTH DEPARTMENT FUNCTIONS AS THE REGION  
5   1 COORDINATOR FOR A 5-COUNTY REGION, INCLUDING ORANGE COUNTY,  
6   VENTURA COUNTY, SANTA BARBARA COUNTY AND SAN LUIS OBISPO ALONG  
7   WITH LOS ANGELES. WE HAVE BEEN ON DAILY CONFERENCE CALLS WITH  
8   THE STATE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AUTHORITY, WHICH  
9   FUNCTIONS AS THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH BRANCH IN THE STATE  
10   EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER. WE HAVE BEEN INVOLVED WITH THEM  
11   IN DEPLOYING SEVERAL AMBULANCE STRIKE TEAMS OUT OF PRIVATE  
12   AMBULANCE COMPANIES HERE FROM LOS ANGELES TO THE AREA, AND  
13   THEY ARE STILL THERE. SECONDLY, FOR YOUR INFORMATION, WE HAVE  
14   ASKED, THROUGH A SPECIAL DISASTER RADIO SYSTEM THAT WE HAVE  
15   CONNECTED TO EVERY ONE OF OUR 75 EMERGENCY ROOMS IN LOS  
16   ANGELES COUNTY TO HAVE EVERY HOSPITAL, PUBLIC AND PRIVATE,  
17   RESPOND ON THE READY NET RADIO SYSTEM TO INDICATE ANY PATIENT  
18   THAT COMES TO THE EMERGENCY ROOM IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY THAT  
19   MAY BE TREATED THROUGH AN EMERGENCY ROOM PUBLIC OR PRIVATE. SO  
20   FAR, AS OF THIS MORNING, 57 PEOPLE, PATIENTS, EVACUEES FROM  
21   THE GULF STATES HAVE BEEN TREATED AT OUR EMERGENCY ROOMS IN  
22   L.A. COUNTY AT NEARLY 20 HOSPITALS. ALL FOUR OF OUR COUNTY  
23   HOSPITALS HAVE RECEIVED PATIENTS THAT HAVE INDICATED THAT THEY  
24   ARE FROM THE GULF STATES AND ABOUT 10% OF THOSE PATIENTS ARE  
25   ADMITTED TO THE EMERGENCY ROOMS. SO OUR EMERGENCY ROOMS ARE



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1 BEING AFFECTED BY THE EVACUATIONS THAT ARE GOING ON, AS WE  
2 CALL, PRIVATELY. THIRDLY, IN RESPONSE TO THE REQUEST OF THE  
3 TASK FORCE TO DEVELOP A HEALTH COMPONENT, WE HAVE PUT TOGETHER  
4 A PLAN TO HAVE HOSPITALS ADOPT SHELTERS. YOU KNOW THAT, AT ONE  
5 POINT IN TIME, WE HAD UP TO THE POTENTIAL OF 20 TO 25  
6 SHELTERS. THAT WOULD BE AN ENORMOUS UNDERTAKING FOR THE COUNTY  
7 OF LOS ANGELES' HEALTH DEPARTMENT, AND WE HAVE HAD PRIVATE  
8 HOSPITALS AND PUBLIC HOSPITALS WANT TO PARTICIPATE. SO WE HAVE  
9 DEVELOPED AN ADOPT-A-SHELTER PROGRAM THAT'S IN PLACE, READY TO  
10 GO, AND WE'VE ACTUALLY PILOTED THAT PROJECT AT THE DREAM  
11 CENTER. AT THE DREAM CENTER, STAFF FROM THE E.M.S. AGENCY,  
12 PUBLIC HEALTH DIVISION OF THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND FROM  
13 L.A.C./U.S.C. MEDICAL CENTER HAVE GONE TO THE DREAM CENTER,  
14 WE'VE CONDUCTED PHYSICAL EXAMINATIONS, FACILITATED THE  
15 PROVISION OF PRESCRIPTIONS FOR PATIENTS AND, IN SOME CASES,  
16 HAD PATIENTS TAKEN TO THE HOSPITAL FOR TREATMENT. THIS WEEK,  
17 KAISER PERMANENTE HAS TAKEN OVER THAT RESPONSIBILITY, IN  
18 COLLABORATION WITH THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT, TO AGAIN PILOT THE  
19 UTILIZATION OF A PRIVATE SECTOR HOSPITAL SERVICE TO PROVIDE  
20 THAT TYPE OF SHELTERING. REGARDLESS OF WHETHER WE REALLY DO  
21 IMPLEMENT NUMEROUS SHELTERS, THIS IS AN EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY  
22 FOR US TO DEVELOP THIS PILOT PROJECT THAT WE COULD USE IN  
23 FUTURE DISASTERS HERE IN LOS ANGELES, IF NECESSARY. FINALLY, I  
24 WOULD LIKE TO LET YOU KNOW THAT THE BOARD SPONSORED DISASTER  
25 MEDICAL ASSISTANCE TEAM, D-MAT CA-9, HAS BEEN DEPLOYED TO THE





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1 GULF STATES. DR. CELANTANO AND VOLUNTEERS THAT INCLUDE  
2 DOCTORS, NURSES, P.A.S, PARAMEDICS, E.M.T. ONES, AND OTHER  
3 SUPPORT PERSONNEL LEFT YESTERDAY TO GO FILL BEHIND OTHER D-MAT  
4 TEAMS THAT HAVE BEEN IN THE GULF AREA FOR OVER TWO WEEKS. SO  
5 I'M SURE THAT THEY WILL BE VERY BUSY. WE UNDERSTAND THAT THESE  
6 D-MAT TEAMS ARE TREATING 300 TO 400 PEOPLE EVERY DAY AND, IN  
7 FACT, THE ORANGE COUNTY D-MAT TEAM HAD 300 PEOPLE ON THE  
8 GROUND SLEEPING IN A SCHOOL WHERE THEY WERE ACTUALLY-- THE  
9 SCHOOL WAS ACTUALLY SHOT AT. SO OUR CA-9 HAS DEPLOYED 35  
10 MEMBERS AND WE'LL PROVIDE YOU WITH MORE INFORMATION AS WE HEAR  
11 BACK FROM THEM.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MARYBELL?

14

15 **MARY BELL MARINE:** HI, GOOD MORNING. I'M HERE TO REPRESENT 2-1-  
16 1 L.A. COUNTY. AND, AS OF THE 6TH, WE'VE RECEIVED CLOSE TO  
17 1,000 CALLS FROM FOLKS, OVER HALF OF THEM FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE  
18 OFFERING FOOD AND MATERIAL GOOD DONATIONS BUT WE'VE ALSO  
19 RECEIVED ABOUT 118 CALLS FROM EVACUEES AND ONE OF THE PRIMARY  
20 FUNCTIONS THAT WE ARE CHARGED WITH IS PUTTING-- COMPILING ALL  
21 THE INFORMATION ABOUT THE DIFFERENT ACTIVITIES THAT ARE BEING  
22 COORDINATED WITH THE CITY AND THE COUNTY WITH RESPECT TO  
23 HELPING EVACUEES. AND THE FIRST THING WE DO WHEN AN EVACUEE  
24 CONTACTS US IS TO ENSURE THAT THEY UNDERSTAND THAT THEY MUST  
25 REGISTER WITH F.E.M.A. FIRST, WHETHER THEY GO THROUGH THE 800



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1 NUMBER OR WHETHER THEY DO THE ONLINE REGISTRATION. AND WE HAVE  
2 WORKED WITH D.P.S.S. SO THAT FOLKS WHO GO TO THE D.P.S.S.  
3 FIELD OFFICES CAN REGISTER ONLINE THERE OR POSSIBLY AT THE  
4 PUBLIC LIBRARIES IF THEY'RE NEAR ONE OF THE LIBRARIES. YOU  
5 WERE TALKING ABOUT HOUSING EARLIER AND THAT IS ONE OF THE MAIN  
6 ISSUES THAT WE ARE INVOLVED WITH SO THAT WE CAN GET THE  
7 INFORMATION THAT COMES FROM IT. WE-- MOST OF THE EVACUEES WHO  
8 ARE CALLING US, AS BRYCE SAID, DO HAVE TEMPORARY HOUSING WITH  
9 FRIENDS AND FAMILY OR ARE IN HOTEL OR MOTEL SITUATIONS, AND  
10 WE'RE TRYING TO FIGURE OUT THOUSAND TRANSITION THEM OVER TO  
11 THE LONGER TERM HOUSING. AND, THIS MORNING, I WAS WITH THE  
12 HOUSING GROUP THAT WAS DISCUSSING HOW THEY WERE GOING TO  
13 COORDINATE ALL OF THE DIFFERENT OFFERS FOR HOUSING WITH  
14 MATCHING THE EVACUEES TO THE HOUSING AND ONE OF THE THINGS  
15 THAT WAS SUGGESTED WAS TO DEVELOP A FLOWCHART SIMILAR TO THE  
16 ONE THAT D.P.S.S. DEVELOPED BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT EVACUEES ARE  
17 COMING IN AT DIFFERENT POINTS INTO THE SYSTEM AND WE NEED TO  
18 MAKE SURE THAT FOLKS WHO ARE COMING IN INFORMALLY ARE ALSO  
19 BEING ABLE TO ACCESS SERVICES SIMILAR TO THE PLANS THAT ARE  
20 BEING MADE FOR THE FORMAL EVACUEES THAT MAY COME TO THE  
21 REGION. SO, AS INFORMATION DEVELOPS, WE ARE INCORPORATING IT  
22 INTO OUR DIRECTORIES. THERE IS JUST A NEW ONE THAT WENT UP AND  
23 OUT THIS MORNING THAT INCLUDES SOME NEW RESOURCES, INCLUDING  
24 CATHOLIC CHARITIES, WHO WAS PROVIDING SHELTER SPACE AND OTHER  
25 SUPPORT SERVICES FOR ANYWHERE FROM 100 TO 300 FAMILIES. SO ANY



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1 INFORMATION THAT WE SHOULD BE COMMUNICATING TO FOLKS SHOULD BE  
2 COMMUNICATED TO US SO WE CAN PUT IT INTO THE DIRECTORY BECAUSE  
3 IT IS A RESOURCE THAT FOLKS ARE USING AS THE PRIMARY LOCATION  
4 FOR INFORMATION FROM CITY AND COUNTY.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING, I KNOW  
7 THAT MOST OF OUR-- ALL OF OUR EVACUEES ARE SORT OF, QUOTE,  
8 INFORMAL. WE'VE BEEN INFORMED BY JUDGE PEPPERSON THAT THEY'VE  
9 CONNECTED DIRECTLY WITH THE SALVATION ARMY IN HOUSTON AND  
10 THEY'RE GOING TO BE RECEIVING QUITE A LARGE NUMBER OF PEOPLE  
11 INTO THE BELL SHELTER, SO HOPEFULLY WE CAN SET UP SOMETHING,  
12 AS WE DID WITH THE DREAM CENTER, WHERE WE WOULD STATIONED  
13 PEOPLE THERE AND, HOPEFULLY, ACCOMMODATE THEM AS MUCH AS  
14 POSSIBLE AND TRANSITION THEM INTO THE SYSTEM, AS I UNDERSTAND.

15

16 **SUP. BURKE:** IS THE BELL SHELTER OPEN NOW OR WHEN WILL IT OPEN?

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I THINK IT IS AVAILABLE AND OPEN NOW. WHAT  
19 THEY'RE DOING IS TRYING TO MAKE ADDITIONAL ACCOMMODATIONS, AS  
20 I UNDERSTAND, TO CREATE MORE...

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, THEY CLOSED IT DOWN BUT I THINK THEY'LL  
23 PROBABLY JUST HAVEN'T DEMOLISHED IT. AREN'T THEY GOING TO DO A  
24 REBUILDING THERE AT BELL BUT PROBABLY STILL AVAILABLE?

25



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1    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THEY STILL HAVE A GOOD PORTION OF IT  
2    AVAILABLE. IT'S QUITE LARGE.

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4    **SUP. KNABE:** ARE THEY TALKING TO ANYBODY HERE?

5

6    **SUP. BURKE:** WE WERE TOLD, ON FRIDAY, IT WAS NOT OPEN.

7

8    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** IT WAS NOT BUT WE'VE BEEN INFORMED...

9

10   **SUP. BURKE:** IT'S OPEN NOW?

11

12   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ...THAT THEY'VE CONNECTED DIRECTLY AND SO  
13   THAT'S WHY WE'RE SAYING THAT THEY SHOULD MAKE SURE THAT THEY  
14   COORDINATE. I MEAN, ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WORKED EFFECTIVELY  
15   AS FAR AS THE DREAM CENTER IS THAT WE SENT OUT PEOPLE, THEY  
16   WERE STATIONED THERE AND THAT WOULD BE THE BEST THING TO DO  
17   HERE. WHEN THIS INFORMAL CONNECTIONS ARE MADE, IT IS DIFFICULT  
18   FOR US TO CO-- SO THEY HOPEFULLY CAN COORDINATE THROUGH US AS  
19   MUCH AS POSSIBLE.

20

21   **BRYCE YOKOMIZO:** MADAM CHAIR, AS YOU'VE INDICATED, THE SHELTER  
22   IN BELL IS GOING TO BE RUN BY THE SALVATION ARMY. WE  
23   UNDERSTAND, BY SPEAKING TO THEM THIS MORNING, THAT THEY  
24   ANTICIPATE ABOUT 300 POSSIBLE EVACUEES THERE AND, WHEN THAT



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1 HAPPENS, WE'RE CERTAINLY GOING TO BE EQUIPPED TO GO OUT THERE  
2 WITH A MOBILE TEAM.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MR. JANSSEN? MR. YAROSLAVSKY?

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I JUST WANTED TO, WHILE WE HAVE ALL OF YOU  
7 HERE, ESPECIALLY MISS PERETT, AT SOME POINT, AND NOW IS  
8 PROBABLY NOT THE TIME, BUT, AT SOME POINT, THE COUNTY NEEDS TO  
9 TAKE STOCK, AND THE CITY, ALL OF US IN THE REGION AND IN THE  
10 COUNTRY NEED TO TAKE STOCK OF WHAT'S TRANSPIRED DOWN THERE IN  
11 THE GULF AND TRY TO LEARN FROM WHAT'S GONE ON. AS EASY AS IT  
12 IS TO SIT BACK, AND EVERYBODY IS ARM CHAIR QUARTERBACKING AND  
13 THERE'S CERTAINLY PLENTY TO QUARTERBACK ABOUT, THE FACT IS,  
14 UNTIL WE'VE WALKED A MILE IN THEIR SHOES, I'M RETICENT TO BE  
15 OVERLY CRITICAL. I'M SURE EVERY ONE OF US HAS BEEN GOING  
16 THROUGH OUR MINDS, AS ALL OF US ARE LOCAL OFFICIALS AND HAVE  
17 BEEN FOR SOME TIME, WHAT WOULD WE DO IF WE WERE IN THE SAME  
18 SITUATION? AND THERE ARE NUMBER OF THEM, I WON'T GET INTO IT  
19 NOW, THAT I'VE JUST NOTICED AS I'VE WATCHED TELEVISION AND  
20 MONITORED, READ THE ACCOUNTS OF WHAT'S GOING ON, THINGS THAT I  
21 CERTAINLY NEVER WOULD HAVE ANTICIPATED, THINGS THAT I THINK  
22 THEY REALLY BLEW IN THE WHOLE, YOU KNOW, CONFUSION OF THE  
23 MOMENT, THINGS THAT I THINK, IN RETROSPECT, AND EVEN AS WE  
24 WATCH IN THE PRIVACY OF OUR BEDROOMS-- LIVING ROOMS, WATCHED  
25 IT ON TELEVISION, APPEARED TO BE OBVIOUS BUT THINGS LIKE



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1 PRIORITIZING HOSPITAL RESCUES, FOR EXAMPLE, WHICH I STILL  
2 DON'T UNDERSTAND HOW THAT NEVER HAPPENED. BUT, IN ANY CASE,  
3 YOU'RE GOING TO DO ALL OF THAT AT SOME POINT AS OUR WHOLE  
4 EMERGENCY OPERATIONS TEAM, GOING TO DEBRIEF OURSELVES IN THE  
5 CONTEXT OF THE LOUISIANA/MISSISSIPPI EXPERIENCE?

6

7 **SPEAKER:** YES, SUPERVISOR. IN FACT, I THINK IT'S IMPERATIVE AND  
8 I THINK WHAT WE NEED TO DO, FIRST OF ALL, WE HAVE A NUMBER OF  
9 PEOPLE ON THE GROUND IN THE AREA WHO ARE ALREADY GOING TO BE  
10 ABLE TO BRING BACK VALUABLE INFORMATION TO US. THE OTHER THING  
11 THAT YOUR BOARD MAY WANT TO CONSIDER IS SENDING A FACT-FINDING  
12 TEAM BACK THERE DURING RECOVERY, NOT RIGHT NOW WHEN PEOPLE ARE  
13 STILL BUSY WITH SO MANY LIFESAVING RESPONSE ACTIVITIES BUT A  
14 LITTLE FURTHER DOWN THE ROAD, TO DO SOME FACT FINDING IN THE  
15 RECOVERY ARENA. I THINK THERE'S A LOT TO BE LEARNED,  
16 PARTICULARLY AS IT RELATES TO THE MID AND LONG-TERM ISSUES AND  
17 I THINK HERE IN THIS COUNTY, IT'S REALLY GOING TO SERVE US  
18 WELL TO SIT DOWN AND ASK OURSELVES THE VERY TOUGH QUESTIONS  
19 THAT HAVE BEEN BROUGHT OUT BY THIS PARTICULAR DISASTER AND SEE  
20 IF WHAT WE BELIEVE TO BE TRUE ABOUT OUR OWN PREPAREDNESS IS,  
21 IN FACT, TRUE.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I HOPE YOU WILL TAKE THE LEAD IN ADVISING  
24 WHEN THAT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE AND WHO WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO  
25 DO THAT. I THINK YOU CAN ALSO GATHER A LOT OF FACTS JUST FROM





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1 HERE AS WE WATCH AND ESPECIALLY YOU FOLKS WHO DO THIS FOR A  
2 LIVING DAY IN AND DAY OUT, YOU CAN SEE THINGS THAT MAYBE WE  
3 NEVER THOUGHT OF. WE HAVE HAD A LOT OF EXPERIENCE IN VARIOUS  
4 ELEMENTS OF THESE PROBLEMS AT VARIOUS TIMES. WE'VE HAD  
5 LAWLESSNESS, WE'VE HAD NATURAL DISASTERS, WE'VE HAD VARIOUS  
6 THINGS. AND, AGAIN, KIND OF-- WE HAVEN'T SEEN IT ALL  
7 SIMULTANEOUSLY HIT US AS IT'S HIT THEM AND I DON'T THINK WE  
8 CAN MAKE ANY JUDGMENTS ABOUT HOW WE WOULD FARE UNTIL WE'VE  
9 ACTUALLY TESTED THAT PROPOSITION. THE LAST THING I WANT TO ASK  
10 YOU, CONNIE, IS ONE OF THE THINGS THAT'S KIND OF-- YOU KNOW,  
11 ONE OF THE OBVIOUS THINGS NOW, IT WASN'T OBVIOUS BEFORE THE  
12 HURRICANE HIT, IS WHAT HAPPENS WHEN THE PHYSICAL  
13 INFRASTRUCTURE FOR GOVERNING TOTALLY INCINERATES OR EVAPORATES  
14 OR GETS DROWNED OUT, WHATEVER THE APPROPRIATE METAPHOR IS? I  
15 DON'T KNOW WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IN AN EARTHQUAKE IF THIS  
16 BUILDING, FOR EXAMPLE, IT'S A GOOD EXAMPLE, BECAUSE, AS WE ALL  
17 KNOW, IT'S SEISMICALLY UNSAFE, I KEEP SAYING THAT. IN THE  
18 EVENT THAT I GET KILLED, MY WIFE WILL HAVE A GOOD CASE AGAINST  
19 THE COUNTY-- THAT'S JUST A JOKE-- BEFORE WE GET AN EDITORIAL  
20 ABOUT THAT.

21

22 **SPEAKER:** GOD FORBID, SUPERVISOR.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BUT WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF THIS BUILDING WERE  
25 TO BE RED TAGGED, WOULD BE UNINHABITABLE AFTER AN EARTHQUAKE?



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1 WHERE WOULD WE-- WHERE WOULD THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CONVENE?  
2 AND THE BOARD, OBVIOUSLY, AS THE GOVERNING BODY, AT SOME  
3 POINT, IS GOING TO HAVE TO CONVENE. WHERE WILL YOU CONVENE IF  
4 THE BUILDINGS IN WHICH YOU-- YOU WORK IN HERE, AREN'T YOU?  
5 YOU'RE AT THE E.O.C.?

6

7 **CONNIE:** NO, SUPERVISOR, I WORK IN THE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS  
8 CENTER.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU'RE AT THE E.O.C. WELL, THAT'S ALL RIGHT,  
11 THAT'S GOING TO SURVIVE, I'VE BEEN THERE AND IT LOOKS LIKE  
12 IT'S IN PRETTY GOOD SHAPE.

13

14 **CONNIE:** IT IS BASE ISOLATED FOR AN 8.3 EARTHQUAKE.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** GOOD. GOOD. SO WE'LL JUST PRAY FOR ANYTHING  
17 LESS THAN AN 8.3. BUT YOU UNDERSTAND MY POINT. WHAT HAPPENS TO  
18 OUR ABILITY TO GOVERN? I'VE WATCHED THE LOCAL OFFICIALS THERE.  
19 NO TELEPHONE SERVICE, NO CELL PHONE SERVICE, OBVIOUSLY, NO  
20 COMPUTER SERVICE. THEIR BLACKBERRIES AREN'T WORKING. GARY  
21 SISTOCK WOULD NEVER SURVIVE DOWN THERE UNDER THESE  
22 CIRCUMSTANCES. SO ALL-- WITH ALL OF THE NORMAL ASSUMPTIONS  
23 ABOUT HOW YOU CARRY ON YOUR DAY-TO-DAY BUSINESSES, WE NEED TO  
24 HAVE-- AND THAT IS NOT TOO FARFETCHED AND I'M NOT SURE HOW  
25 MUCH-- AT LEAST I'M NOT PLUGGED INTO WHAT I WOULD DO IN THE



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1 EVENT THAT EVERYTHING-- THAT THIS BUILDING WAS NO LONGER  
2 INHABITABLE AND WHERE WOULD I REPORT FOR DUTY? WHERE WOULD THE  
3 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEET? DO WE HAVE CONTINGENCY PLANS OF  
4 THAT SORT? I'M NOT AWARE OF ANY.

5

6 **CONNIE:** SUPERVISOR, YOU RAISE AN EXCELLENT POINT, AND THERE  
7 HAS BEEN SOME PLANNING DONE AND I DON'T WANT TO SPEAK ON  
8 BEHALF OF THE BOARD OFFICE, BOARD EXECUTIVE OFFICE BECAUSE I  
9 BELIEVE THEY ARE THE PRIMARY FOR THE PLANNING FOR YOUR  
10 RELOCATION BUT AT LEAST ONE ALTERNATE SITE HAS BEEN  
11 IDENTIFIED. I HAVEN'T LOOKED AT THAT IN SOME TIME, SO I CAN'T  
12 SPEAK WITH ANY SPECIFICITY TO THAT PLAN BUT, AGAIN, BECAUSE OF  
13 THE LESSONS THAT WE ARE LEARNING FROM HURRICANE KATRINA, I  
14 THINK THAT WHATEVER IS CURRENTLY IN PLACE COULD BE ENHANCED  
15 AND SOME OF THE TOUGH QUESTIONS THAT YOU'RE RAISING, IT'S NOT  
16 JUST GOOD ENOUGH TO HAVE ANOTHER SITE. THERE HAS TO BE AN  
17 INFRASTRUCTURE FOR THAT SITE, THERE HAS TO BE COMMUNICATIONS  
18 CAPABILITY, PEOPLE HAVE TO UNDERSTAND EXACTLY WHERE THEY'RE  
19 REPORTING AND HOW THEY'RE GOING TO CONNECT WITH KEY STAFF THAT  
20 ARE GOING TO MAKE THINGS HAPPEN. SO I WOULD LIKE TO RECOMMEND,  
21 SIR, THAT WE TAKE A LOOK AT WHAT IS CURRENTLY IN PLACE AND  
22 PROVIDE A REPORT BACK TO YOUR BOARD.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WELL, I'D APPRECIATE IT. I THINK IT WOULD BE  
25 HEALTHY-- A HEALTHY THING TO DO AS PART OF EVERYTHING ELSE



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1 YOU'RE DOING. YOU KNOW, YOU LOOK AT THE SHERIFF'S BUILDING. I  
2 DON'T KNOW WHEN IT WAS BUILT AND WHAT THAT'S DESIGNED TO  
3 WITHSTAND IN THE WAY OF SEISMIC EVENT, WE KNOW THE FIRE  
4 DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS IS OLD AND IT'S NOT TALL BUT IT  
5 PROBABLY-- SO YOU LOOK AT THE TWO MAIN EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS  
6 OUTSIDE THE E.O.C. IN A 7.5 OR A 7.2, WHETHER THEY-- THEY  
7 WOULD-- WHETHER THE BUILDINGS WOULD SURVIVE. IT'S NOT JUST  
8 ABOUT US AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, THE HALL OF  
9 ADMINISTRATION, THE C.A.O., BUT IT'S ALSO THE VARIOUS CRITICAL  
10 DEPARTMENTS. D.P.S.S., IF WE'RE GOING TO CALL ON THEM AT A  
11 POINT WHEN THERE'S MASSIVE HOMELESSNESS OR WHERE WILL THEY  
12 REPORT? IT'S THE WHOLE GOVERNMENT. AND THAT'S WHAT'S REALLY  
13 BEEN-- I'VE HAD THIS-- THIS NIGHTMARE JUST WATCHING THE MAYOR  
14 OF NEW ORLEANS AND HE'S IN TEXAS, OVER THE WEEKEND, HE WAS IN  
15 TEXAS. HE'S NOT EVEN IN NEW ORLEANS. AND IN THE REPORTS THAT  
16 80% OF THE POLICE OFFICERS, I DON'T KNOW IF IT'S TRUE, BUT IT  
17 WAS A REPORT THAT WAS MADE ON AN AUTHORITATIVE NEWS STATION,  
18 80% OF THEIR POLICE OFFICERS HAD LOST THEIR HOMES. YOU KNOW,  
19 SO FOR THOSE OF US WHO HAVE ALWAYS BEEN CRITICAL ABOUT THE  
20 POLICE OFFICERS LIVING IN THE OUTSKIRTS OF TOWN, MAYBE IT'S  
21 NOT SUCH A BAD IDEA IN RETROSPECT WHEN THEY LIVE IN THE  
22 SUBURBS. ANYWAY, THESE ARE-- THIS WHOLE THING IS GOING TO  
23 REWRITE THE BOOK. I'M SURE YOU'VE COME TO THAT CONCLUSION,  
24 IT'S GOING TO REWRITE THE BOOK ON ALL OF THE ASSUMPTIONS WE'VE  
25 MADE BECAUSE IT'S NO LONGER A HYPOTHETICAL WORST-CASE; IT'S A,



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1 YOU KNOW, IT'S A REALITY AND IT'S SOMETHING WE NEED TO BE  
2 ATTENTIVE TO AND LEARN FROM. FOR US, IT WILL BE A CHEAP  
3 LESSON. FOR THE FOLKS IN THE GULF, UNFORTUNATELY, IT'S QUITE  
4 THE OPPOSITE.

5

6 **CONNIE:** IF I MAY, SIR, MR. JANSSEN HAS JUST REMINDED ME OF  
7 SOMETHING IMPORTANT THAT WE SHOULD SHARE HERE WITH YOU AS  
8 WELL. YOU KNOW, ABOUT TWO YEARS AGO, YOUR BOARD DIRECTED THE  
9 COUNTY, UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE C.A.O. WITH PARTNERING WITH  
10 THE C.I.O., TO DEVELOP BUSINESS CONTINUITY PLANS AND THAT  
11 EFFORT HAS BEEN UNDERWAY EVER SINCE THAT TIME AND VERY  
12 AGGRESSIVELY. IN FACT, ANOTHER REPORT SHOULD BE HITTING YOUR  
13 OFFICES ANY DAY NOW. AND, ALTHOUGH IT DOESN'T NECESSARILY  
14 ANSWER EVERY QUESTION YOU JUST RAISED, SUPERVISOR, WHAT IT  
15 DOES DO IS IT HAS PUT EVERY SINGLE DEPARTMENT ON NOTICE THAT  
16 THEY HAVE TO HAVE CERTAIN LEVELS OF CONTINUITY PLANNING AND  
17 BACKUP PLANS AND COMMUNICATIONS PLANS AND ORGANIZATIONAL TREES  
18 AND SO FORTH BUILT INTO THEIR SYSTEM AND INTO THEIR SERVICE  
19 DELIVERY. AND I THINK THAT, IF WE WERE TO HAVE SOMETHING  
20 SIGNIFICANT HERE, RIGHT NOW, WE'VE DONE QUITE A BIT OF WORK  
21 ALREADY, AND THAT WOULD SERVE THE DEPARTMENTS VERY WELL. I  
22 WON'T HOLD IT UP AS THE PANACEA BUT THERE IS A LOT OF WORK  
23 BEING DONE ON BUSINESS CONTINUITY AS WE SPEAK, AND THAT MAY BE  
24 SOMETHING WHERE YOU WILL WANT MAYBE A PRESENTATION AT SOME  
25 POINT WITH SOME SPECIFICITY REGARDING KEY SERVICES WITHIN THE



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1 COUNTY. YOU MAY WANT TO HEAR WHAT'S BEEN DONE TO PROTECT KEY  
2 SERVICES IN THE COUNTY.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU KNOW, THE OTHER THING IS, ASIDE FROM US,  
5 IS WHAT INDIVIDUALS-- INDIVIDUAL CITIZENS NEED TO DO AND CAN  
6 DO FOR THEMSELVES AND I THINK THAT BECAME CLEAR. YOU KNOW, THE  
7 OLD ADAGE OF HAVE '72 HOURS' OF PROVISIONS AVAILABLE TO YOU,  
8 WATER PROVISIONS AND ALL THAT SORT OF THING. I THINK PEOPLE  
9 NOW UNDERSTAND THAT VISCERALLY, AS OPPOSED TO INTELLECTUALLY.  
10 AND WE OUGHT TO BE ABLE TO USE OUR WEBSITE, OUR TELEVISION  
11 BROADCAST, WHICH PEOPLE DO WATCH, MUCH TO MY SURPRISE, THEY DO  
12 WATCH IT, EVEN AT 3:00 IN THE MORNING, REPETITIVELY JUST GO  
13 OVER THESE DOS AND-- YOU KNOW, THINGS TO DO TO PROTECT  
14 YOURSELF AND INOCULATE YOURSELF SO THAT IT BECOMES INGRAINED  
15 IN PEOPLE'S MINDS. YOU CAN'T SAY IT TOO OFTEN, AND I WANT TO--  
16 MY OFFICE IS GOING TO BE IN TOUCH WITH YOU BUT WE WANT TO PUT  
17 IT ON OUR WEBSITE AND SEND AN E-BLAST TO OUR FOLKS ON THE  
18 SUBJECT. I THINK NOW IS THE TIME TO STRIKE WHILE THE IRON IS  
19 HOT. PEOPLE ARE PAYING ATTENTION. AND, YOU KNOW, JUST A  
20 MASSIVE CAMPAIGN TO EDUCATE EVERY MAN, WOMAN AND CHILD IN THIS  
21 TOWN. THIS IS THE WAY THEY DO IT IN OTHER PARTS OF THE WORLD  
22 WHICH ARE PRONE TO VARIOUS KINDS OF DISASTERS AND WE CERTAINLY  
23 ARE IN THAT CATEGORY. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

24

25 **SUP. BURKE:** I JUST HAVE ONE OTHER THING.





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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MS. BURKE AND THEN MR. ANTONOVICH.

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4 **SUP. BURKE:** THE COUNTY EMPLOYEES WHO ARE THERE, ARE THEY GOING  
5 TO BE ROTATED AFTER A CERTAIN NUMBER OF DAYS? IS THERE A PLAN  
6 AT ALL FOR THAT?

7

8 **CONNIE:** SUPERVISOR, LET ME MAKE A GENERAL COMMENT AND THEN ASK  
9 THOSE WHO HAVE PEOPLE ON THE GROUND TO SPEAK SPECIFICALLY,  
10 BECAUSE EACH MISSION MAY BE DIFFERENT. THE TIME COMMITMENT FOR  
11 THAT MISSION MAY BE DIFFERENT AND I CAN TELL YOU, WITH RESPECT  
12 TO THE ADVANCE TEAM THAT WAS SENT OUT ABOUT A WEEK AGO, THAT  
13 WAS A 14-DAY COMMITMENT AND THEN WILL BE REEVALUATED IN TERMS  
14 OF WHETHER OR NOT THE MISSION WILL CONTINUE WITH PERHAPS MORE  
15 STAFF AUGMENTING OR ROTATING. BUT, FOR HEALTH SERVICES, I  
16 CERTAINLY CAN'T SPEAK.

17

18 **CAROL MEYER:** YEAH, OUR D-MAT TEAM IS ALSO A 14-- APPROXIMATELY  
19 14-DAY COMMITMENT AND THERE ARE D-MAT TEAMS THROUGHOUT THE  
20 UNITED STATES AND SO I WOULD SEE THAT THESE D-MAT TEAMS ARE  
21 GOING TO ROTATE IN AND OUT OF THERE FOR POSSIBLY MONTHS. WE  
22 WENT BACK TO NEW YORK AFTER 9/11 AND OUR TEAM CONSISTS OF 35  
23 PEOPLE. WE COULD HAVE A SECOND TEAM GO, IF NECESSARY.

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1    **SUP. BURKE:** I HAVE JUST ONE OTHER QUESTION. A NUMBER OF PEOPLE  
2    HAVE ASKED ME ABOUT THIS. AFTER 9/11-- NOT 9/11. AFTER THE  
3    EARTHQUAKE, WE HAD AVAILABLE THESE EARTHQUAKE-- OR-- SURVIVAL  
4    KITS. THEY WERE LARGE GRAY BAGS THAT WERE AVAILABLE TO BE  
5    PURCHASED OR WERE DISTRIBUTED. ARE THOSE GOING TO BE UPDATED  
6    AT ANY TIME OR IS THERE ANY PLAN FOR ANYTHING LIKE THAT?  
7    PROBABLY NO ONE ELSE REMEMBERS THEM BUT ME. I STILL HAVE MINE  
8    IN MY GARAGE.

9

10   **SPEAKER:** YOU HAVE A WONDERFUL MEMORY, SUPERVISOR. I BELIEVE  
11   YOU'RE REFERRING TO THE KITS THAT WERE PURCHASED FOR THE  
12   BUILDING EMERGENCY COORDINATORS.

13

14   **SUP. BURKE:** THEY WERE GREAT. UH HUH.

15

16   **SPEAKER:** AND OBVIOUSLY ALSO SOME DISTRIBUTED TO THE BOARD  
17   OFFICES. AND THE WAY THAT PROGRAM STOOD WAS, ONCE WE HAD DONE  
18   THE BULK PURCHASE AND PUT-- AND SUPPLIED EACH DEPARTMENT WITH  
19   BUILDING EMERGENCY COORDINATOR KITS, IT WAS GOING TO BE LEFT  
20   TO EACH DEPARTMENT TO RESUPPLY AS THINGS WERE USED OR BECAME  
21   OBSOLETE. SO THERE IS NOT CURRENTLY A CENTRALIZED PLAN TO  
22   RESUPPLY BUILDING EMERGENCY COORDINATOR KITS BUT IT IS  
23   SOMETHING THAT WE CAN CERTAINLY TAKE A LOOK AT AND BRING BACK  
24   A RECOMMENDATION REGARDING WHAT SHOULD BE DONE.

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1   **SUP. BURKE:** AND ALSO, SOME PEOPLE MIGHT JUST WANT TO PURCHASE  
2   THOSE KITS. THE KITS WERE EXCELLENT. THEY HAD, YOU KNOW, ALL  
3   THE PILLS YOU PUT IN THE WATER TO MAKE THEM GOOD AND THEY HAD  
4   ALL KINDS OF EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT AND IT MIGHT BE GOOD TO HAVE  
5   THOSE AVAILABLE WHERE PEOPLE COULD PURCHASE THEM AT COST AND  
6   WHATEVER METHOD WE COULD HAVE TO MAKE THEM AVAILABLE TO COUNTY  
7   EMPLOYEES.

8

9   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. MR. ANTONOVICH.

10

11   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE ANTELOPE VALLEY IS TAKING IN SOME OF THE  
12   VICTIMS OF THE GULF COAST HURRICANE AND I KNOW THAT THE  
13   SALVATION ARMY HAS OFFERED THEIR BELL GARDENS. THEY'VE ALSO  
14   OFFERED A CAMP THEY HAVE IN MALIBU, ABOUT 800 BEDS, AND ARE  
15   THERE OTHER MEANS THAT WE COULD DO TO-- ACTIONS THAT WE CAN  
16   TAKE TO HELP THESE INDIVIDUALS?

17

18   **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** MADAM CHAIR, SUPERVISOR, LET ME RESPOND TO  
19   THAT BECAUSE I THINK THERE ARE TWO THINGS THAT NEED TO BE  
20   REINFORCED. NUMBER 1, ANYONE THAT ARRIVES HERE HAS TO REGISTER  
21   WITH F.E.M.A., NUMBER 1. NUMBER 2, CALL 2-1-1. WE DON'T--  
22   FRANKLY, WE DON'T NEED-- WE DON'T NEED SEPARATE OPERATIONS SET  
23   UP, WE'RE NOT DEALING WITH A LOT OF PEOPLE. WE ARE SET UP WITH  
24   2-1-1. IF YOU WANT TO DONATE, YOU CAN CALL. IF YOU NEED HELP,



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1 YOU CAN CALL. SUPERVISOR BURKE, IF THAT FAMILY THAT YOU WERE  
2 TALKING TO, ALL THEY NEEDED TO DO...

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4 **SUP. BURKE:** OUR FIRST CALL WAS TO 2-1-1.

5

6 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** ALL THEY HAD TO DO WAS CALL 2-1-1 AND THEY  
7 WOULD BE TAKEN-- ALL OF THE SERVICES AVAILABLE IN LOS ANGELES  
8 COUNTY HAVE BEEN COORDINATED: SALVATION ARMY, RED CROSS,  
9 D.P.S.S., EVERY COUNTY DEPARTMENT, EVERY CITY IS HOOKED INTO  
10 2-1-1 RIGHT NOW, SO THAT'S WHAT WE'RE ENCOURAGING PEOPLE TO DO  
11 IS CALL 2-1-1.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IF THE EVACUEES DO NOT WANT TO CALL 2-1-1,  
14 HOW DO WE RESPOND?

15

16 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WHY WOULD THEY NOT WANT TO CALL 2-1-1?

17

18 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, THEY CALLED 2-1-1. THAT WAS THE FIRST CALL,  
19 WE HAD EVERYONE CALLING 2-1-1 BUT I THINK WHAT HAS TO HAPPEN  
20 IS 2-1-1 HAS TO GET THE NECESSARY DATA.

21

22 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THEY HAVE THE NECESSARY DATA.

23

24 **SUP. BURKE:** THEY DIDN'T HAVE IT WHEN WE WERE CALLING THE  
25 WEEKEND.



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**SPEAKER:** WELL, THE ISSUE IS THE LONG-TERM HOUSING AND THOSE  
ARE DETAILS THAT ARE STILL GETTING WORKED OUT. SO, YOU KNOW,  
AS-- WHEN WE FIND SITUATIONS WHERE THERE ISN'T A CLEAR  
RESOLUTION IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE, WHAT WE'VE BEEN DOING IS  
WORKING WITH CONSTANCE AND WITH BRYCE TO WORK OUT THOSE  
SOLUTIONS, AND WE KEEP THOSE PEOPLE IN THE LOOP ALSO SO THAT  
WE CAN HELP THEM. BUT I ALSO WANTED TO POINT OUT THAT WE  
CURRENTLY ARE ABLE TO ACCESS 2-1-1 ALSO THROUGH TEAM MOBILE  
AND CINGULAR SERVICE, WHICH WE DIDN'T HAVE THE LAST TIME WE  
SPOKE TO YOU, SO I'M HAPPY TO ANNOUNCE, AT LEAST FOR CELLULAR  
CUSTOMERS OF CINGULAR AND TEAM MOBILE, THEY CAN NOW DIAL 2-1-  
1.

14

**SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT IS THE PROCESS THAT WE ARE DISSEMINATING  
TO OUR 88 CITIES AND ABOUT 20 TOWN COUNCILS WITH THIS  
INFORMATION?

18

**SPEAKER:** OUR OFFICE, AND WE'RE NOT A VAST INFORMATION ENGINE,  
WE'RE A SMALL OFFICE, BUT OUR OFFICE TYPICALLY GIVES  
INFORMATION TO THE DISASTER MANAGEMENT AREA COORDINATORS WHO,  
IN TURN, DISTRIBUTE IT OUT TO ALL OF THEIR CITIES BECAUSE EACH  
OF THEM HAS A NUMBER OF CITIES IN THEIR DIRECT COORDINATION  
LINE OF SIGHT, SO THAT COMMUNICATION MECHANISM EXISTS AND WE  
HAVE BEEN COMMUNICATING WITH THEM THROUGH THE D-MAT.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO WE'VE COMMUNICATED TO ALL 88 CITIES AND  
3 20-PLUS TOWN COUNCILS?

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5 **SPEAKER:** WE'VE PROVIDED THE INFORMATION TO THE D-MAT AND ASKED  
6 THEM TO COMMUNICATE WITH THE...

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT HAVE THEY DONE IT?

9

10 **SPEAKER:** SIR, I CAN'T ANSWER THAT. I'D HAVE TO FOLLOW UP.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHY DON'T WE GET A REPORT IF THEY HAVE.

13

14 **SPEAKER:** YES.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HOW ARE WE HANDLING REQUESTS FROM EVACUEES  
17 FOR MEDICAL ASSISTANCE WHO ARE STAYING WITH FRIENDS OR FAMILY?

18

19 **SPEAKER:** THEY'RE BEING REFERRED TO OUR COUNTY FACILITIES.  
20 WE'RE ALSO REFERRING THEM TO THE PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP  
21 CLINICS, ANY OF THE CLINICS IN THE COUNTY, AND WE HAVE ALSO  
22 MADE IT VERY CLEAR TO OUR FACILITIES THAT THE RESIDENCY  
23 REQUIREMENTS DO NOT APPLY FOR THESE INDIVIDUALS. THEY ARE TO  
24 BE CONSIDERED HOMELESS SO THAT WE WILL OPENLY TREAT THEM  
25 THROUGH OUR COUNTY HOSPITALS AND CLINICS.





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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YOU KNOW, DR. TURNER IN PASADENA AND HIS  
3 DENOMINATION HAVE GONE BACK AND HELPING. AND IN MY  
4 CONVERSATION WITH THE DIRECTOR OF THE NAACP, THERE WAS STILL  
5 SOME LACK OF INFORMATION ON HOW WE ASSIST THOSE INDIVIDUALS  
6 THAT ARE COMING HERE.

7

8 **BRYCE YOKOMIZO:** SUPERVISOR, WE'VE HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK  
9 WITH REVEREND TURNER PERSONALLY, MY STAFF HAS SPOKEN TO HIM  
10 THIS MORNING. HE'S CURRENTLY IN SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA, AND IS  
11 ATTEMPTING TO BRING INDIVIDUALS OUT, AND WE'RE GOING TO STAY  
12 IN TOUCH WITH THEM AND WE'LL BE ABLE TO COORDINATE THAT EFFORT  
13 AS HE COMES OUT TO LOS ANGELES.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HE'S SPEAKING AT THE GROUP ON SUNDAY AND IF  
16 THERE'S ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, I SHOULD, PLEASE LET ME  
17 HAVE IT.

18

19 **BRYCE YOKOMIZO:** WE'LL CERTAINLY WORK WITH YOUR OFFICE TO GET  
20 THAT INFORMATION FOR YOU.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. YES, DAVID.

25



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1   **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** COULD I ALSO NOTE THAT THE COUNTY OF LOS  
2   ANGELES AND CITY OF LOS ANGELES HAVE BEEN INVITED TO TESTIFY  
3   BEFORE CONGRESS DAY AFTER TOMORROW. CONSTANCE WILL BE  
4   REPRESENTING THE COUNTY. ELLIS STANLEY, THE CITY, AND LOS  
5   ANGELES HAS SPECIFICALLY BEEN REQUESTED BECAUSE OF THE WORK  
6   THAT'S BEEN DONE HERE IN MUTUAL AID AND EMERGENCY PLANNING, ET  
7   CETERA. SO I THINK THAT'S-- THAT'S VERY GOOD FOR THE REGION.  
8   SECONDLY, JUST BY WAY OF PERSPECTIVE, F.E.M.A., AS OF LAST  
9   FRIDAY, HAD RECEIVED-- DISTRIBUTED NUMBERS TO 600,000 PEOPLE.  
10   600,000 PEOPLE HAD REGISTERED WITH F.E.M.A. AS OF LAST FRIDAY  
11   AND THEY WERE TRAINING 12,000 PEOPLE TO WORK THE PHONES LAST  
12   WEEKEND BECAUSE THE DEMAND IS SO GREAT. REGION 9, CALIFORNIA,  
13   ARIZONA, AND NEVADA, HAS BEEN ASSIGNED RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE  
14   STATE OF MISSISSIPPI. SO F.E.M.A. DOESN'T HAVE A LOT OF  
15   RESOURCES LEFT TO HELP US AT THIS TIME BECAUSE THEY ARE FULLY  
16   ABSORBED WITH THE MASSIVE CHALLENGE OF DEALING WITH THE GULF  
17   STATES.

18

19   **SUP. KNABE:** COULD I JUST ADD ONE POSITIVE NOTE TO ALL THIS?  
20   THIS MORNING, ON TWO DIFFERENT NATIONAL NEWS PROGRAMS, THEY  
21   WERE ASKING ABOUT PREPARATION AROUND THE COUNTRY AND THE  
22   COMMENT WAS MADE THAT LOS ANGELES COUNTY WAS PROBABLY THE BEST  
23   PREPARED OF ANY MAJOR METROPOLITAN. I MEAN, IT WAS THE GOOD  
24   NEWS/BAD NEWS. I MEAN, GOOD NEWS THAT WE'RE PREPARED, THE BAD  
25   NEWS, BECAUSE OF FLOOD, FIRES, EARTHQUAKES AND RIOTS. BUT, ON



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1 THE OTHER HAND, TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THOSE SITUATIONS JUST  
2 LIKE, YOU KNOW, HOPEFULLY, WE WILL USE THE KNOWLEDGE LEARNED  
3 FROM KATRINA TO HELP US IN OUR SITUATION, TOO. BUT A LOT OF  
4 PLANNING AND ONGOING TRAINING, AND I THINK IT NEEDS TO BE  
5 RECOGNIZED AS WELL THAT WE'RE ON THE FOREFRONT BUT WE  
6 OBVIOUSLY NEED TO CONTINUE TO DO MORE TO IMPROVE.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THERE'S NO DOUBT THERE'S A LOT OF LESSONS  
9 TO BE LEARNED ALONG THE WAY BUT I WANT TO THANK THIS TEAM.  
10 THEY'VE BEEN VERY EFFECTIVE FROM DAY ONE. DAVID JANSSEN, ALL  
11 THE DEPARTMENT HEADS, CONSTANCE AND HER LEADERSHIP WITH THE  
12 ENTIRE TEAM, ALL OF OUR STAFF LIAISONS TO ALL OF IT HAVE BEEN  
13 VERY EFFECTIVE IN MAKING THE COORDINATION AND SO I WANT TO  
14 THANK ALL OF YOU FOR DOING A VERY EFFECTIVE JOB, KEEPING US  
15 UPDATED AND BEING PREPARED, SHOULD WE RECEIVE A FORMAL NOTICE  
16 OF EVACUEES, WE ARE PREPARED TO DO SO BUT, IN THE INTERIM, WE  
17 ARE HANDLING ALL THE INFORMAL EVACUEES VERY, VERY EFFECTIVELY.  
18 AND SO I THANK ALL OF YOU FOR THE TREMENDOUS EFFORT THAT EACH  
19 OF YOU HAVE MADE. SO THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH. ALL RIGHT. LET ME  
20 TURN IT BACK OVER TO MR. YAROSLAVSKY FOR HIS SPECIALS.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I WAS HOLDING, I THINK, ITEM 15. AND I JUST  
23 WANTED MR. WISNIEWSKI TO COME FORWARD.

24

25 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ITEM...



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** 15, BEACHES AND HARBORS.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OH, OKAY. DO YOU HAVE A MOTION OR...

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO. I JUST HAVE A QUESTION OR TWO.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OKAY. COULD WE HAVE THE-- I'M TRYING TO  
9 THINK WHO WAS SUPPOSED TO DO IT.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HERE HE COMES.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OKAY. GOOD.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CAN YOU REFRESH MY MEMORY? WHEN WAS THE LAST  
16 TIME WE WENT OUT TO AN R.F.P. ON THE BEACH PARKING? HAS IT  
17 BEEN 5 YEARS OR IS IT 3 YEARS? WHAT HAS IT BEEN?

18

19 **STAN WISNIEWSKI:** 5.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO THAT BIG BROUHAHA THAT WE HAD THAT  
22 ERUPTED HERE BETWEEN THE VARIOUS BIDDERS WAS 5 YEARS AGO?

23

24 **STAN WISNIEWSKI:** THAT'S CORRECT.

25



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1    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BOY, TIME FLIES WHEN YOU'RE HAVING FUN.

2

3    **STAN WISNIEWSKI:** I WASN'T HAVING FUN BACK THEN. NO, BUT I  
4    REMEMBER. YEAH, IT WAS OVER THE...

5

6    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I JUST-- IT WAS A LOT OF MONEY BUT IT WASN'T  
7    NOT THAT LONG AGO.

8

9    **STAN WISNIEWSKI:** IT WAS THE LIVING WAGE ISSUE. WE HAVE GIVEN--  
10    CURRENT CONTRACT WAS THREE YEARS PLUS TWO ONE-YEAR OPTIONS AND  
11    WE'VE EXERCISED BOTH OF THE OPTIONS.

12

13    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THE ONLY OTHER QUESTION I HAD IS, I READ  
14    YOUR STAFF-- YOUR BOARD REPORT THAT YOUR DEPARTMENT PREPARED  
15    FOR THE-- FOR THIS ITEM AND IT SAID THAT, AFTER THEY RESPONDED  
16    TO THE R.F.P., I'M JUST FROM MEMORY, CORRECT ME IF I'M  
17    MISTAKEN, I THINK I'M RIGHT ABOUT THIS, THAT, AFTER THE THREE  
18    BIDDERS RESPONDED TO THE R.F.P., ON THE ISSUE OF COST, YOU  
19    NEGOTIATED WITH ONE OF THE FIRMS.

20

21    **STAN WISNIEWSKI:** THAT IS CORRECT.

22

23    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHY DIDN'T YOU NEGOTIATE WITH THE OTHER  
24    FIRM, THE ONE-- OR FIRMS?

25



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1   **STAN WISNIEWSKI:** PURSUANT TO THE R.F.P. PROCESS, THE ONLY  
2   PROPOSER I WAS AUTHORIZED TO NEGOTIATE WITH WAS THE ONE THAT  
3   THE EVALUATION COMMITTEE HAD RECOMMENDED. I DID NOT FEEL  
4   COMFORTABLE WITH THE DISPARITY IN PRICE BETWEEN THE NUMBER 1  
5   RECOMMENDED COMPANY AND NUMBER 2, SO I ENTERED INTO  
6   NEGOTIATIONS, WITH THE ADVICE OF COUNTY COUNSEL, THEY SAID I  
7   WAS AUTHORIZED TO DO THAT, AND LOWERED OR NARROWED THE  
8   DIFFERENCE, THE GAP BETWEEN THE TWO AND FELT MORE COMFORTABLE  
9   WITH THE COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION.

10

11   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** EXPLAIN. YOU SAID THAT, PURSUANT TO THE  
12   TERMS OF THE R.F.P.?

13

14   **STAN WISNIEWSKI:** I BELIEVE IT IS...

15

16   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU HAD THAT AUTHORITY?

17

18   **STAN WISNIEWSKI:** THAT IS CORRECT. I TALKED TO COUNTY COUNSEL  
19   ABOUT IT.

20

21   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** DON'T BE DEFENSIVE ABOUT IT, STAN. I'M NOT  
22   PUTTING YOU ON TRIAL. I JUST WANT TO UNDERSTAND THE PROCESS.

23

24   **STAN WISNIEWSKI:** RIGHT. I'M SORRY, I DIDN'T MEAN TO BE  
25   DEFENSIVE.





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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. THE R.F.P. IS PROVIDE-- IT PROVIDES  
3 FOR YOU TO BE ABLE TO ONLY NEGOTIATE WITH ONE OF-- FOR THE  
4 BIDDER THAT WAS RECOMMENDED BY AN EVALUATION COMMITTEE?

5

6 **STAN WISNIEWSKI:** THAT IS MY UNDERSTANDING. NOW, WHETHER THAT  
7 IS PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE...

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHO IS THE EVALUATION COMMITTEE?

10

11 **STAN WISNIEWSKI:** PEOPLE THAT I SELECTED, REPRESENTATIVES OF  
12 STAFF AS WELL AS...

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IT'S ALL INTERNAL TO YOUR DEPARTMENT?

15

16 **STAN WISNIEWSKI:** NO, NO, NO.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I.S.D.? GO AHEAD, I.S.D.?

19

20 **STAN WISNIEWSKI:** CORRECT. YES.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. SO YOUR DEPARTMENT, I.S.D., ARE THOSE  
23 THE TWO DEPARTMENTS?

24

25 **STAN WISNIEWSKI:** YES.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** TO ME, I'M JUST A COUNTRY BOY HERE, TO ME,  
3 IT JUST SOUNDS A LITTLE WEIRD THAT, ONCE THE BIDS ARE IN, THAT  
4 THE COUNTY WOULD NEGOTIATE WITH ONE BIDDER TO MAKE HIS OR HER  
5 BID MORE FAVORABLE TO US BUT NOT GIVE THAT OPPORTUNITY TO ANY  
6 OTHER BIDDER. IT'S LIKE WHAT'S-- IT'S ALMOST LIKE THE FIX WAS  
7 IN. AND I DON'T UNDERSTAND, SO YOU NARROWED IT IN OUR FAVOR?

8

9 **STAN WISNIEWSKI:** CORRECT.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU COULD HAVE BROUGHT IT DOWN EVEN FURTHER  
12 IN OUR FAVOR BY NEGOTIATING WITH THE NUMBER 2 BIDDER, I WOULD  
13 ASSUME, MAYBE, IF THEY HAD BEEN GIVEN THAT OPPORTUNITY, YOU  
14 COULD HAVE NEGOTIATED THAT DOWN AND THEN MAYBE THE NUMBER 1  
15 BIDDER WOULD HAVE NEGOTIATED FURTHER. I MEAN, IT'S--  
16 ESSENTIALLY IT'S A SECOND BID PROCESS BUT ONLY ONE PERSON GETS  
17 TO BID.

18

19 **STAN WISNIEWSKI:** RIGHT. I UNDERSTAND. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY,  
20 THE-- THE THING THAT'S IMPORTANT TO KEEP IN MIND IS THIS IS  
21 NOT AN INVITATION FOR BIDS. WE'RE NOT GOING AFTER THE LOWEST  
22 PRICE CONTRACTOR TO THE COUNTY. THE R.F.P. PROCESS DESIGNATES  
23 THE EVALUATION PROCESS AND WHAT POINTS ARE GIVEN TO VARIOUS  
24 ASPECTS OF EXPERIENCE, FINANCIAL RESOURCES, ET CETERA. SO, BY  
25 THE TIME THEY GO THROUGH AN EVALUATION PROCESS, THE EVALUATION



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1 COMMITTEE MAKES THEIR RECOMMENDATION TO ME AND THAT IS THE  
2 PROPOSED CONTRACTOR, AT LEAST FROM THE COMMITTEE'S STANDPOINT  
3 AND PURSUANT TO THE R.F.P. PROCESS. NOW, COUNTY COUNSEL HERE  
4 CAN PROBABLY GIVE YOU BETTER-- A BETTER EXPLANATION AS TO, YOU  
5 KNOW, WHAT THE AUTHORITY IS THAT I HAD TO NEGOTIATE BECAUSE,  
6 FRANKLY, I WAS-- I SOLICITED THAT BECAUSE I WAS A LITTLE  
7 UNSURE MYSELF, BUT IT MAKES SENSE THAT WE HAD THE BEST  
8 PROPOSER, THEY HAD THE BEST EXPERIENCE, THEY HAD-- THE ONLY  
9 WEAKNESS THAT THEY HAD WAS IN PRICE AND YET, EVEN THOUGH THEY  
10 WERE \$325,000 MORE EXPENSIVE THAN NUMBER 2, THEY STILL CAME  
11 OUT AHEAD IN THE POINT SPREAD. SO, IN ORDER TO PROTECT THE  
12 INTEGRITY OF THE R.F.P. PROCESS, I IMPROVED THE DEAL FOR THE  
13 COUNTY AND, AT THE SAME TIME, HELD THE PROCESS TRUE IN THAT I  
14 UPHELD THE EVALUATION COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YEAH. I'M NOT QUESTIONING-- I WANT TO  
17 REITERATE, I'M NOT-- I DIDN'T BRING YOU UP HERE TO BEAT YOU  
18 UP.

19

20 **STAN WISNIEWSKI:** OH, I DON'T FEEL BEAT UP. I UNDERSTAND.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THIS ISN'T ABOUT YOU. IT'S NOT ABOUT WHAT  
23 YOU DID.

24

25 **STAN WISNIEWSKI:** RIGHT.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IT'S ABOUT WHAT THE PROCESS ALLOWS THE  
3 PERSON IN YOUR POSITION TO DO. I'LL TAKE IT AT FACE VALUE, FOR  
4 THE SAKE OF THIS DISCUSSION, THAT YOU HAD THE AUTHORITY TO DO  
5 THAT, WHEREVER THAT AUTHORITY COMES FROM, WE'LL DOUBLE-CHECK  
6 THAT BUT LET'S JUST ASSUME THAT THAT'S-- STIPULATE THAT'S THE  
7 CASE. I'M JUST ASKING WHAT THE WISDOM OF HAVING SUCH A PROCESS  
8 LIMITED JUST TO ONE BIDDER. I'VE ACTUALLY NEVER HEARD OF SUCH  
9 A THING.

10

11 **STAN WISNIEWSKI:** LET ME EXPLAIN IT ANOTHER WAY. THERE ARE 5 OR  
12 6 CATEGORIES THAT FOLKS ARE EVALUATING...

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I UNDERSTAND THAT. I UNDERSTAND ALL OF THAT.

15

16 **STAN WISNIEWSKI:** BUT IT'S IMPORTANT TO-- YEAH. BECAUSE IF THIS  
17 WAS JUST AN INVITATION FOR BIDS...

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I UNDERSTAND THAT. IT'S AN R.F.P. AND YOU  
20 EVALUATE IT. I READ YOUR WHOLE REPORT, EVEN THOUGH IT WASN'T  
21 COMPLETE, I READ YOUR WHOLE REPORT, TRIED TO FIGURE IT OUT,  
22 READ YOUR BID SHEETS, READ YOUR SCORING SHEETS. I UNDERSTAND  
23 IT ALL. YOU MADE-- YOU JUST TESTIFIED THAT YOU MADE THE  
24 DECISION, THAT YOU MADE THE JUDGMENT THAT, DESPITE THE PARKING  
25 CONCEPTS, ADVANTAGE AND EXPERIENCE AND ALL THE OTHER



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1 CATEGORIES, THAT YOU WERE NOT COMFORTABLE WITH THE SPREAD ON  
2 THE COST. YOU MADE THAT DECISION, WHICH APPARENTLY YOU'RE  
3 AUTHORIZED TO DO, YOU MADE THAT JUDGMENT.

4

5 **STAN WISNIEWSKI:** THAT'S CORRECT.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND THEN YOU WENT AND NEGOTIATED WITH THEM.

8

9 **STAN WISNIEWSKI:** THAT'S CORRECT.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. NOW, WHAT YOU DON'T KNOW, AT SOME  
12 POINT, I WOULD ASSUME, ARE ALL THE COMPANIES THAT BID BONA  
13 FIDE PARKING COMPANIES?

14

15 **STAN WISNIEWSKI:** EACH OF THEM HAS STRENGTHS AND WEAKNESSES.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND WEAKNESSES. THE NUMBER 2 BIDDER IS...

18

19 **STAN WISNIEWSKI:** WEAK IN EXPERIENCE.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** EXPERIENCE WHERE? IN BEACHES OR EXPERIENCE  
22 GENERALLY IN PARKING?

23

24 **STAN WISNIEWSKI:** EXPERIENCE GENERALLY. THEIR AVERAGE NUMBER OF  
25 EMPLOYEES PER CONTRACT IS THREE. THE AVERAGE NUMBER OF



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1 EMPLOYEES FOR PCI'S CONTRACT IS 70 OR 80. THEY'RE JUST NOT  
2 GEARED UP FOR AS LARGE OF A CONTRACT AS THIS, ALTHOUGH I HAVE  
3 TO TELL YOU THAT, IF...

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO HOW DID THEY GET SO-- HOW DID THEY SCORE  
6 SO HIGH ON EXPERIENCE COMPARED TO THE NUMBER 3 BIDDER? HOW DID  
7 THEY GET SO CLOSE TO THE NUMBER 1 BIDDER IF THEY WERE SO FAR  
8 APART IN PRICE, IF THEY ARE SO WEAK ON EXPERIENCE? EXPERIENCE  
9 WAS, WHAT, 25% OF THE...

10

11 **STAN WISNIEWSKI:** BECAUSE PRICE-- PRICE WAS A SIGNIFICANT  
12 ELEMENT.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** 40%.

15

16 **STAN WISNIEWSKI:** YEAH, IT WAS A SIGNIFICANT ELEMENT AND THAT  
17 DROVE UP THE NUMBER OF POINTS THAT WERE AWARDED TO THEM, EVEN  
18 THOUGH THEY HAD-- THEY WERE WEAK IN EXPERIENCE.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT WAS EXPERIENCE? 25% OF THE SCORE?

21

22 **STAN WISNIEWSKI:** I WOULD HAVE TO GO BACK AND LOOK.

23

24 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THE EXPERIENCE AND ORGANIZATIONAL RESOURCES,  
25 25%. WORK PLAN, 25%. REFERENCES, 10%. ANNUAL PRICE, 40%.





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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I DON'T KNOW WHAT THE-- IT PROBABLY WOULDN'T  
3 HAVE CHANGED THE OUTCOME BUT I DON'T KNOW IF-- MR. JANSSEN, DO  
4 YOU WANT-- DO YOU HAVE ANY THOUGHTS ON THIS?

5

6 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WELL, I THINK IT'S WORTH PURSUING, SUPERVISOR.  
7 I SUSPECT THE REASON THAT THE MONEY WAS NEGOTIATED WAS BECAUSE  
8 THAT'S THE ONLY THING WE EVER NEGOTIATE. YOU CAN'T NEGOTIATE  
9 EXPERIENCE, YOU CAN'T NEGOTIATE REFERENCES, YOU CAN'T  
10 NEGOTIATE THE OTHER FOUR OR FIVE CATEGORIES.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BUT WE ONLY NEGOTIATED MONEY WITH ONE  
13 BIDDER.

14

15 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** BUT THE WAY-- I CAN UNDERSTAND. THE WAY THE  
16 STRUCTURE OF THE R.F.P. WAS, YOU HAD-- THE HIGH POINT PERSON  
17 IS WHO YOU HAD TO DEAL WITH AND NEGOTIATING MONEY WITH  
18 MULTIPLE VENDORS PROBABLY WASN'T PROVIDED IN THE DOCUMENT. IF  
19 YOU HAD NOT SUCCEEDED IN REDUCING THE PRICE OF THE NUMBER 1,  
20 YOU STILL WOULD HAVE AWARDED TO THE NUMBER 1 BASED ON THE  
21 R.F.P., CORRECT?

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23 **STAN WISNIEWSKI:** THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN A DECISION THAT I WOULD  
24 HAVE HAD TO MAKE AT THAT TIME AND, IF I WASN'T COMFORTABLE



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1 WITH THAT, I DON'T HAVE TO LISTEN TO THE EVALUATION  
2 COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION.

3

4 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** BUT YOU'D HAVE TO EXPLAIN WHY YOU WENT TO THE  
5 NEXT BIDDER.

6

7 **STAN WISNIEWSKI:** THAT IS CORRECT AND IF PCI HAD THAT...

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9 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I THINK IT'S WORTH TAKING A LOOK AT.  
10 GENERALLY, IT'S NOT A SITUATION THAT HAPPENS TOO OFTEN, I  
11 THINK, FRANKLY.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IT'S THE FIRST TIME I'VE SEEN IT HAPPEN  
14 ANYWHERE.

15

16 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I FULLY THINK WHAT HE DID IS THE RIGHT THING.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, NOT WHEN YOU HAVE A SELECTED BIDDER, THOUGH,  
19 DO YOU? I MEAN, NORMALLY-- THAT'S NORMALLY IF YOU HAVE A-- A  
20 TEAM TO SELECT SOMEONE, THAT'S WHO YOU NEGOTIATE WITH.

21

22 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** NO, THAT'S CORRECT, THAT IS CONSISTENT. THE  
23 QUESTION IS, THEN NEGOTIATED THE DOLLARS AFTER. YEAH. THERE'S  
24 NO QUESTION THAT THEY DID THE RIGHT THING. THE COUNTY  
25 BENEFITS.



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**SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'M NOT QUESTIONING THAT. USUALLY WHAT  
HAPPENS IN A R.F.P. PROCESS, IF THEY'RE GOING-- YOU PROVIDE  
FOR SELECTION OF SOMEBODY WITH WHOM YOU'RE GOING TO ENTER INTO  
AN EXCLUSIVE RIGHT TO NEGOTIATE OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT,  
USUALLY ON A REAL ESTATE DEAL OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT. I'VE  
NEVER SEEN-- AND MAYBE IT HAPPENS, I'VE JUST NEVER SEEN IT,  
NEVER SEEN IT WITH OUR PARKING CONTRACTS ANYWHERE IN THE  
COUNTY BUT I MAY HAVE MISSED IT, WHERE YOU GIVE ONE  
OPPORTUNITY FOR-- YOU GIVE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR ONE BIDDER TO  
IMPROVE HIS BID WITH RESPECT TO THE COUNTY...

12

**STAN WISNIEWSKI:** THIS WAS AN UNUSUAL SITUATION, I THINK, AND I  
THINK I'VE DIRECTED OVER 4 OR 5 OF THESE CONTRACTS OVER THE  
YEARS AND I THINK THIS IS THE FIRST TIME WE'RE RECOMMENDING  
THE CONTRACT TO SOMEONE WHO IS NOT THE LOW COST BIDDER,  
FRANKLY. AND I HAD TO DO A LOT OF-- I DID A LOT OF RESEARCH  
THAT I HAD STAFF DO TO BOLSTER THE COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION,  
FOR EXAMPLE, THE RATIO OF EMPLOYEES TO THE NUMBER OF  
CONTRACTS, BECAUSE I WAS HAVING A TOUGH TIME GETTING A HANDLE  
ON WHAT IS IT THAT THEY'RE LACKING IN EXPERIENCE. AND AS SOON  
AS-- YOU KNOW, SO I SAID WELL, YOU KNOW, GIVE ME A RATIO AND,  
AS SOON AS THAT CAME BACK, YOU KNOW, IT DAWNED ON ME, YOU  
KNOW, THEY'VE GOT A LOT OF, YOU KNOW, LITTLE PARKING STRUCTURE  
HERE AND ONE OVER HERE, ONE OVER HERE, WHEREAS PCI'S CONTRACTS



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1 ARE TRADITIONALLY VERY LARGE SCALE OPERATIONS, WHICH IS MORE  
2 IN SYNC WITH WHAT WE HAVE HERE.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BUT SEE HERE'S-- THAT'S MY PROBLEM, IS THAT  
5 ACCOUNTS-- THE PRICE ACCOUNTED FOR 40% OF THE BID. 60% OF IT  
6 ACCOUNTED FOR EXPERIENCE AND OTHER THINGS, RATIOS, REFERENCES.  
7 I WOULD IMAGINE THAT, ON THE OTHER 60%, THE SECOND BIDDER  
8 WOULD HAVE FARED FAR MORE POORLY THAN THEY DID BECAUSE, IF YOU  
9 TAKE OUT THE MONEY, THE SECOND PLACE BIDDER IS CLOSE ENOUGH  
10 TO...

11

12 **STAN WISNIEWSKI:** THE SECOND PLACE BIDDER, IN FACT, DID DO  
13 SUBSTANTIALLY WORSE IN THE OTHER 60 POINTS BUT THE PRICE  
14 DIFFERENCE WAS ENOUGH TO CARRY THEM VERY CLOSE TO THE NUMBER 1  
15 PROPOSER. JUST THE WAY THE NUMBERS WORKED.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO-- WELL, SO HOW DID THEY GET SO CLOSE?

18

19 **SUP. KNABE:** PRICE.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IT WAS PRICE? WELL, PRICE WAS \$300,000  
22 DIFFERENCE BUT IF THEY-- WHEN YOU SAY THAT THEY AVERAGED 3  
23 PEOPLE ON A CONTRACT OR 3 EMPLOYEES PER-- WAS IT PER CONTRACT  
24 OR PER SITE? WHAT WAS IT YOU SAID?

25



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1     **STAN WISNIEWSKI:** PER CONTRACT.

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3     **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** PER CONTRACT.

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5     **STAN WISNIEWSKI:** RIGHT.

6

7     **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** COMPARED TO 70 OR 80 FOR, YOU KNOW, FOR THE  
8     BIG BOYS, WHAT-- HOW DO THEY EVEN-- YOU KNOW, HOW ARE THEY IN  
9     THE MAJOR LEAGUES?

10

11    **STAN WISNIEWSKI:** BECAUSE THEY DO HAVE A LARGE NUMBER OF  
12    EMPLOYEES AND ONE MIGHT ARGUE THAT, BECAUSE THEY'RE ABLE TO  
13    MANAGE A LOT OF MULTIPLE LOCATIONS, THAT THEY HAVE-- THAT THEY  
14    HAVE VERY SIGNIFICANT EXPERIENCE. IT, YOU KNOW, FRANKLY,  
15    SUPERVISOR, IT COMES DOWN TO A JUDGMENT CALL. THAT'S THE  
16    REASON WE HAVE INDEPENDENT EVALUATION COMMITTEES LOOK AT THESE  
17    THINGS AND, THIS ONE, I SATISFIED MYSELF AFTER, YOU KNOW, 3 OR  
18    4 DAYS OF ADDITIONAL RESEARCH. IT'S ONE OF THE FIRST TIMES  
19    THAT I'VE GOT AN EVALUATION COMMITTEE REPORT WHERE I REALLY--  
20    I NEED TO LOOK A LITTLE BIT MORE CLOSELY AT THIS.

21

22    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HOW MANY BIDDERS, RESPONDENTS DID YOU HAVE  
23    TOTAL?

24



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1   **STAN WISNIEWSKI:** JUST THREE. WHICH WAS ALSO A LITTLE UNUSUAL.  
2   NORMALLY, WE HAVE 4 OR 5.

3

4   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CAN WE TAKE A LOOK AT THIS PROCEDURE?

5

6   **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** YEAH, WE WILL. WE'LL TAKE A LOOK AT AND SEE IF  
7   IT IS WIDESPREAD AND REPORT BACK.

8

9   **SUP. KNABE:** MADAM CHAIR, I MOVE THE RECOMMENDATION.

10

11   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. ARE WE MOVING FORWARD WITH THE  
12   RECOMMENDATION OR DO YOU WANT A PROCESS INVOLVED AS TO HOW  
13   WE'RE GOING TO DEAL WITH IT IN THE FUTURE, CORRECT? ALL RIGHT?  
14   ALL RIGHT. IT'S BEEN MOVED AND SECONDED. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR  
15   KNABE, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION,  
16   SO ORDERED ON THAT ITEM. WE HAVE A SET ITEM THAT WAS SUPPOSED  
17   TO BE HEARD AT 11:00. I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE JIM CASTILLO, WHO  
18   IS A INTERIM PRESIDENT OF THE LOS ANGELES URBAN LEAGUE. IF HE  
19   WOULD JOIN US. JOINED ALSO WITH ELISE BUIK, WHO IS THE  
20   PRESIDENT AND C.E.O. OF UNITED WAY OF THE GREATER LOS ANGELES.  
21   THEY'RE GOING TO BE DOING A REPORT ON THE STATE OF BLACK LOS  
22   ANGELES AND I'M GOING TO ASK MS. BURKE TO INTRODUCE THE ITEM.

23

24   **SUP. BURKE:** ALL RIGHT. YES. WE WANT TO WELCOME LOS ANGELES  
25   URBAN LEAGUE AND, OF COURSE, REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE UNITED





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1 WAY OF GREATER LOS ANGELES AS WELL. EVERY YEAR, THE NATIONAL  
2 URBAN LEAGUE PRODUCES A STATE OF BLACK AMERICA REPORT. THIS  
3 YEAR, THE LOS ANGELES URBAN LEAGUE AND THE UNITED WAY OF  
4 GREATER LOS ANGELES JOINED TOGETHER TO PRODUCE A STATE OF  
5 BLACK LOS ANGELES REPORT. LIKE THE NATIONAL REPORT, THE STATE  
6 OF BLACK LOS ANGELES EXAMINES THE SOCIAL, ECONOMIC, AND  
7 POLITICAL PROGRESS OR LACK THEREOF OF AFRICAN-AMERICANS IN LOS  
8 ANGELES BASED ON MEASUREMENTS IN SIX DIFFERENT CATEGORIES:  
9 ECONOMIC, HOUSING, HEALTH, EDUCATION, CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND  
10 CIVIL ENGAGEMENT, THAT'S PARTICIPATION AND VOTING IN POLITICS  
11 AND BELONGING TO LABOR UNIONS. THE LOS ANGELES URBAN LEAGUE  
12 AND THE UNITED WAY SOUGHT FEEDBACK FROM DIVERSE SECTORS OF THE  
13 AFRICAN-AMERICAN POPULATION, INCLUDING SURVEYING GROUPS,  
14 CONVENING MEETINGS WITH LEADERS AND WORKING WITH AGENTS OF  
15 CHANGE ON A PLAN TO TRANSFORM THE INFORMATION IN THIS  
16 IMPORTANT REPORT TO ACTION. MUCH OF THIS INFORMATION IN THIS  
17 REPORT IS VERY SOBERING, BUT THERE ARE ALSO SOME VERY BRIGHT  
18 PARTS. IT'S IMPORTANT, THOUGH, TO LOOK AT THIS AND TO REALIZE  
19 IT'S NOT JUST A REVIEW OF ONE ETHNIC GROUP. BECAUSE OF OUR  
20 INCREASINGLY DIVERSE SOCIETY, IT'S MORE IMPORTANT THAN EVER TO  
21 LOOK NOT ONLY AT THE VARIETY OF DIFFERENT PEOPLE THAT MAKE UP  
22 LOS ANGELES THAT THIS IMPACTS. AND, YOU KNOW, I HAVE TO TAKE A  
23 MOMENT HERE TO SAY THAT, IF THERE WAS ONE THING THAT KATRINA  
24 BROUGHT HOME TO SOME OF US, WAS THE STATE OF POVERTY IN THE  
25 UNITED STATES AND ALSO THE IMPLICATIONS OF POVERTY. I KNOW



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1 WHEN THEY SAID TO THE PEOPLE OF NEW ORLEANS, EVACUATE. AND  
2 PEOPLE SAID TO ME, "WHY DIDN'T THEY EVACUATE?" AND THEN WE  
3 HEARD PEOPLE SAY ON THE 29TH OF THE MONTH, "WE LIVE FROM  
4 PAYCHECK TO PAYCHECK, WE DIDN'T HAVE GAS TO GET TO THE  
5 CORNER." AND WE SAW WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU HAVE LARGE POCKETS  
6 OF PEOPLE IN POVERTY. VERY RECENTLY, WE LOOKED AT AN AREA OF  
7 LOS ANGELES, SPA 6, AND WE FOUND OUT 23% OF THE PEOPLE IN SPA  
8 6 HAD NO AUTOMOBILE. SO THERE ARE MANY AREAS THAT WE HAVE TO  
9 LOOK AT AND WE TAKE FOR GRANTED IN THE UNITED STATES EVERYONE  
10 HAS A BIG S.U.V. AND THEY HAVE TWO CARS AND THEY HAVE MONEY  
11 AND THEY HAVE ALL OF THESE THINGS WE HAVE. WE JUST TAKE IT FOR  
12 GRANTED BUT SOMETIMES I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO LOOK AT IT.  
13 AND I'M VERY PLEASED TO WELCOME JIM CASTILLO, WHO IS THE  
14 INTERIM PRESIDENT OF THE LOS ANGELES URBAN LEAGUE, AND THIS IS  
15 THE FIRST TIME HE'S APPEARED BEFORE US AND ELISE BUIK WHO, OF  
16 COURSE, PRESIDENT AND C.E.O. OF UNITED WAY OF GREATER LOS  
17 ANGELES WHO HAS BEEN BEFORE US MANY TIMES BEFORE. AND SO THANK  
18 YOU VERY MUCH AND WE WOULD LIKE FOR YOU TO MAKE THE  
19 PRESENTATION.

20

21 **ELISE BUIK:** GREAT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AS YOU MAY KNOW, THE  
22 UNITED WAY HAS LAUNCHED A SERIES OF SOCIAL REPORTS: THE LATINO  
23 SCORE CARD, WHICH WE'LL BE UPDATING IN NOVEMBER; RECENTLY, THE  
24 ASIAN/PACIFIC PROFILES; AND WE WERE VERY PLEASED TO PARTNER  
25 WITH THE URBAN LEAGUE IN LAUNCHING THE FIRST STATE OF BLACK



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1 LOS ANGELES. AS WE GO TO THE FIRST SLIDE, WHAT WE HAVE UP HERE  
2 IS A MAP THAT CHARTS THE POPULATION IN THE COUNTY, AND WE'VE  
3 BROKEN IT BY DISTRICT AND I'M SURE YOU'RE VERY FAMILIAR WITH  
4 THESE TRENDS. THE STATE OF BLACK LOS ANGELES REALLY USES  
5 WHAT'S CALLED AN EQUALITY INDEX. THIS WAS ACTUALLY INTRODUCED  
6 BY THE NATIONAL URBAN LEAGUE IN 2004 AND WHAT IT IS IS IT'S  
7 TAKING A SERIES OF MEASURES AND COMPILING IT INTO ONE NUMBER  
8 THAT CAN BE TRACKED OVER TIME, AND THAT WAS REALLY THE VISION  
9 OF MARK BOREAL, WHO IS THE PRESIDENT OF THE NATIONAL URBAN  
10 LEAGUE. SO IF YOU THINK ABOUT THE DOW JONES INDEX OR THE  
11 CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, IT'S A WAY THAT WE CAN TRACK MULTIPLE  
12 MEASURES OVER TIME. THE STATE OF BLACK AMERICA, WHICH  
13 INTRODUCED THIS, THEY HAVE ONLY TRACKED BLACK VERSUS WHITE  
14 BUT, OBVIOUSLY, WHEN WE TALKED ABOUT PILOTING THIS IN LOS  
15 ANGELES, WE FELT IT WAS IMPORTANT TO INDEX ALL FOUR ETHNIC  
16 GROUPS AND NOT JUST THE TWO. SO THAT IS THE FIRST IN THE  
17 NATION THAT'S BEEN DONE THIS WAY. WE THINK THIS IS AN AMAZING  
18 MODEL TO USE AND WE HAVE PRESENTED THIS MODEL AT NATIONAL  
19 UNITED WAY CONFERENCES AND OTHER URBAN LEAGUES AND WE'RE  
20 HOPING THAT IT WILL BE DONE ACROSS THE COUNTRY. AS YOU GO TO  
21 THE NEXT SLIDE, THE WAY THE INDEX IS SET UP IS THAT A  
22 BENCHMARK OF 1.0 IS USED FOR WHITES AND THEN THE DIFFERENT  
23 MEASURES, THERE ARE 105 DIFFERENT MEASURES THAT ARE LISTED IN  
24 THE AREAS THAT SUPERVISOR BURKE MENTIONED. WE DID CONVENE A  
25 LEADERSHIP GROUP IN MARCH OF BUSINESS LEADERS, COMMUNITY



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1 LEADERS, NONPROFIT LEADERS, GOVERNMENT LEADERS TO HELP US  
2 WEIGHT THOSE MEASURES AS SOMETHING THAT WOULD BE RELEVANT FOR  
3 L.A. COUNTY. SO YOU CAN SEE THE DIFFERENT AREAS THAT COME UP  
4 IN TERMS OF HOW WE TRACKED THOSE INDEX AREAS. SO LET ME GIVE  
5 YOU AN EXAMPLE IN TERMS OF EDUCATION. THAT INCLUDES MEASURES  
6 FOR PRESCHOOL ENROLLMENT, SCHOOL TEST SCORES, HIGH SCHOOL  
7 GRADUATION AND ADULT EDUCATION LEVEL. AND, IF YOU FLIP TO  
8 PAGE, I BELIEVE, IT'S PAGE 12 OF THE REPORT, THAT WILL SHOW  
9 YOU ALL THE MEASURES THAT WERE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION IN  
10 TERMS OF FORMING THE INDEX AND I THINK IT'S A VERY POWERFUL  
11 TOOL THAT YOU MAY WANT TO USE IN YOUR WORK IN TERMS OF LOOKING  
12 AT STATISTICS ACROSS THOSE INDEX AREAS. SO, AS WE LOOK AT THE  
13 L.A. QUALITY INDEX, YOU CAN SEE THAT, UNFORTUNATELY, BLACKS  
14 HAVE THE LOWEST SCORES, AT .69, WITH LATINOS TRACKING BEHIND  
15 THEM AT .71. ALTHOUGH ASIANS RANKED VERY HIGH, I WANT TO NOTE  
16 THAT THIS ALSO MASKED SOME POPULATIONS IN THE COUNTY WHERE  
17 ASIANS ACTUALLY RANK THE LOWEST IN THE COUNTY, SO WE NEED TO  
18 BE CAREFUL THAT WE DON'T JUST TAKE THAT ONE INDEX AT FACE  
19 VALUE. IT'S ALSO IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT THE NATIONAL SCORE FOR  
20 AFRICAN-AMERICANS WAS .73. SO AFRICAN-AMERICANS IN LOS ANGELES  
21 ARE TRACKING SOMEWHAT BEHIND THE NATIONAL AVERAGE. AND, AS WE  
22 GO TO THE NEXT SLIDE, THIS REALLY SHOWS YOU THE EQUALITY INDEX  
23 SCORES ACROSS ALL OF THE ISSUE AREAS THAT WE LOOKED AT AND YOU  
24 CAN SEE THAT AFRICAN-AMERICANS ARE TRACKING PRETTY LOW IN 5 OF  
25 THE 6 CATEGORIES AND THE ONE THAT IS ESPECIALLY TROUBLING IS



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1 THAT ECONOMIC INDEX LEVEL IS VERY LOW. AND, AS WE KNOW,  
2 ECONOMICS AND EDUCATION ARE OFTEN THE KEYS TO UNLOCKING SOME  
3 OF THE POSITIVE INDICATORS IN THE OTHER AREAS. THE GREAT  
4 STRENGTH WAS, THOUGH, THE CIVIC ENGAGEMENT, WHERE WE SAW VERY  
5 HIGH LEVELS OF CITIZENSHIP, LANGUAGE, MILITARY SERVICE AND  
6 CIVIC ACTIVISM THAT REALLY GAVE THEM THE HIGHEST SCORE OF ALL  
7 THE GROUPS. SO NOW I'M GOING TO TURN IT OVER TO JIM CASTILLO,  
8 WHO IS GOING TO WALK YOU THROUGH SOME OF THE INDIVIDUAL ISSUE  
9 AREAS AND GIVE YOU A LITTLE BIT MORE DETAIL.

10

11 **JIM CASTILLO:** THANK YOU, ELISE. I THINK IF WE START OFF WITH  
12 THE FIRST ONE BEING THE EDUCATIONAL INDEX, THE SLIDE ITSELF  
13 BASICALLY, BLACKS IN LOS ANGELES HAVE THE LOWEST PROFICIENCY  
14 SCORE AMONGST THE FOUR RACIAL AND ETHNIC GROUPS, AND A THIRD  
15 OF THE HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES COMPLETE COLLEGE PREPARATORY  
16 CLASSES. THERE'S SOME SUBTITLES, AND, OF COURSE, THERE ARE 19  
17 SUB ELEMENTS THAT MAKE UP THE EDUCATIONAL ELEMENT. HOWEVER,  
18 THERE ARE A COUPLE OF OTHER FACTS THAT HAVE TO BE POINTED OUT.  
19 IN THE CRITICAL SKILLS OF READING, BY FOURTH GRADE ONLY, 26%  
20 OF AFRICAN-AMERICAN STUDENTS ARE PROFICIENT, AND ONLY 17% READ  
21 PROFICIENTLY BY THE ELEVENTH GRADE, SO THERE'S TRULY A  
22 DETERIORATION IN PERFORMANCE THROUGHOUT THE EDUCATIONAL  
23 SYSTEM. AND THE OTHER AREA WOULD BE IN MATH, THE PROFICIENCY  
24 OF BLACKS DROPS FROM 28% IN FOURTH GRADE TO JUST 12% BY THE  
25 ELEVENTH GRADE. THAT IS WHAT IS BEHIND AND ONE OF THE MAJOR



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1 DRIVERS OF THIS AREA. THE NEXT ELEMENT IS THE AREA OF ECONOMIC  
2 INDEX. AFRICAN-AMERICANS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY HAVE THE LOWEST  
3 MEDIAN INCOME OF \$31,905, THE HIGHEST POVERTY RATE OF 24%, AND  
4 THE HIGHEST UNEMPLOYMENT RATE OF 14% AMONGST ALL FOUR RACIAL  
5 GROUPS. AND, IF YOU LOOK DOWN, ONE OF THE SUB FACTS BEHIND  
6 THAT IS 38,000 BLACK-OWNED BUSINESSES BUT MOST ARE VERY SMALL.  
7 ONLY 9% HAVE EMPLOYEES. THE GROWTH OF SUCH BUSINESSES COULD BE  
8 A MAJOR REVENUE-- AVENUE FOR BLACK EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES  
9 SINCE NORMALLY ETHNIC BUSINESSES TEND TO EMPLOY WITHIN THEIR  
10 OWN AREAS. THE NEXT AREA IS THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM.  
11 AFRICAN-AMERICANS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY RECEIVE THE LONGEST  
12 PRISON SENTENCES AND HAVE TWICE AS LIKELY AS ANY OTHER GROUP  
13 TO BE VICTIMS OF HATE CRIMES. NEARLY ONE-THIRD OF AFRICAN-  
14 AMERICAN MALES BORN IN 2001 ARE PREDICTED TO GO TO JAIL AT  
15 SOME POINT IN THEIR LIVES. THIS IS START-- REALLY STARTLED THE  
16 COMMUNITY, IT RAISES A LOT OF QUESTIONS AND, OF COURSE, POLICE  
17 CHIEF BRATTON WAS INVOLVED IN SOME OF THESE DISCUSSIONS, AS  
18 WAS YOUR LOCAL SHERIFF HERE, LEE BACA. AND I GUESS ONE OF THE  
19 SUBSETS OF THAT WE HAVE TO FOCUS ON, AND IT SHOULDN'T SURPRISE  
20 ANYONE, IS THAT BLACK DRIVERS IN LOS ANGELES ARE STOPPED BY  
21 POLICE NEARLY DOUBLE THE TIME OF THE NATIONAL AVERAGE. DOUBLE  
22 THE RATE OF A NATIONAL AVERAGE. SO WE HAVE SOME CHALLENGES AND  
23 SOME SYSTEMIC THINGS THAT HAVE TO BE ADDRESSED. IN THE AREA OF  
24 CIVIC ENGAGEMENT, WHICH WAS ONE OF THE STRONG POINTS, AND IF  
25 YOU LOOK AT THE OVERALL PERFORMANCE, IT SHOWS THAT THE





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1 AFRICAN-AMERICAN POPULATION APPEARS TO BE MORE ENGAGED THAN  
2 ALL OF THE OTHER THREE GROUPS. IN FACT, IN 1960, AFRICAN-  
3 AMERICANS HELD ONLY 1% OF THE COUNTY'S APPROPRIATE TOP 100  
4 ELECTED OFFICERS. BY 2004, WE REPRESENTED 14%. AND, CLEARLY,  
5 YOU WILL SEE THIS AS A CLEAR INDICATION OF THE ACTIVITY OF THE  
6 AFRICAN-AMERICAN AND VOTER REGISTRATION, UNION MEMBERSHIP,  
7 MILITARY SERVICE AND POLITICAL REPRESENTATION HAS RISEN  
8 SIGNIFICANTLY OVER THE LAST FOUR DECADES. THE NEXT AREA,  
9 HOUSING. AFRICAN-AMERICANS REPRESENT 40% OF THE ESTIMATED  
10 91,000 HOMELESS PERSONS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND HAVE THE  
11 LOWEST HOME OWNERSHIP RATE AMONGST THE FOUR RACIAL AND ETHNIC  
12 GROUPS. HALF OF AFRICAN-AMERICAN RENTERS OVERSPEND ON HOUSING.  
13 THAT IS, THEY PAY MORE THAN ONE-THIRD OF THEIR INCOME ON RENT,  
14 WHICH IS ONE OF THE KEY AREAS THAT'S REALLY CAUSED A LOT OF,  
15 AGAIN, ATTENTION IN THE COMMUNITY. THE HEALTH INDEX. AFRICAN-  
16 AMERICANS HAVE THE HIGHEST OVERALL DEATH RATE WITH RATES OF  
17 HEART DISEASE, HOMICIDE, H.I.V./A.I.D.S., PARTICULARLY HIGH.  
18 BLACKS HAVE THE HIGHEST RATE OF ASTHMA, HYPERTENSION, OBESITY  
19 AND DIABETES. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT THE DIABETES RATE IN  
20 L.A. COUNTY HAS INCREASED BY 53% FROM 1999 TO 2002. AND  
21 MEDICAL CARE FOR DIABETES COSTS HAVE MORE THAN TWICE THAT OF  
22 ANY OTHER CARE OF ANY OTHER DISEASE. THE NEXT AREA IS TO LOOK  
23 AT OVERALL WHAT WE'VE DONE, AND THEN ELISE AND I WILL KIND OF  
24 SHARE THE PODIUM FROM THIS PARTICULAR POINT AND ENTERTAIN  
25 QUESTIONS. WE FORMED COMMITTEES THAT REPRESENTED KEY LEADERS



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1 AS WE PUT TOGETHER THESE SIX AREAS TO TRY TO COME UP WITH SOME  
2 KEY OVERALL INDICES AND SOLUTIONS. IF YOU TURN TO PAGE 22 AND  
3 23 IN YOUR BOOKLET THAT WE HANDED OUT, THERE ARE SOME  
4 EXPANSIONS TO SOME OF THE KEY POINTS THAT THIS SLIDE  
5 HIGHLIGHTS. AND ELISE AND I WILL KIND OF TALK YOU THROUGH  
6 WHERE WE ARE RIGHT NOW AND, OBVIOUSLY, WHERE WE HAVE TO MOVE  
7 FORWARD TO. BUT THESE ARE THE KEY OVERALL HIGH LEVEL 20,000-  
8 FOOT AREAS THAT WE HAVE TO APPROACH. HERE ARE SOME OF THE  
9 DRILL DOWN LOWER ELEVATION OPPORTUNITIES THAT WE HAVE. AND, OF  
10 COURSE, BEHIND THIS ARE A SUBSTANTIAL NUMBER OF OTHER  
11 ACTIVITIES THAT WE'LL BE INTRODUCING. ELISE?

12

13 **ELISE BUIK:** AS YOU LOOK AT THE ACTION AGENDA, WE HAVE-- THIS  
14 WAS REALLY FORMED BY THAT LEADERSHIP GROUP THAT I MENTIONED  
15 EARLIER AND WE HAVE A STEERING COMMITTEE THAT INCLUDES  
16 GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, FOUNDATIONS, CORPORATIONS. THAT ARE  
17 TRYING TO LOOK AT HOW WE CAN PRIORITIZE THE ACTION AGENDAS AND  
18 BRING SOME TRACTION TO THESE AREAS. I THINK WHAT'S IMPORTANT  
19 TO NOTE IS THAT, AS YOU KNOW, ALL THESE ISSUES ARE  
20 INTERRELATED AND IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE CAN'T LOOK AT THINGS  
21 LIKE ECONOMICS WITHOUT LOOKING AT THE EDUCATION ISSUE THAT  
22 AFFECTS PUBLIC SAFETY, HEALTH AND HOUSING. SO, CLEARLY, THAT  
23 IS THE DIRECTION THAT WE'RE MOVING IN TERMS OF PRIORITIZING  
24 AND WE WOULD WELCOME ANY QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS THAT YOU MAY  
25 HAVE.



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2 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, I DO THINK THAT THIS RAISES A NUMBER OF

3 CHALLENGES FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY. EDUCATION, PARTICULARLY, AS

4 YOU LOOK AT THE NUMBER OF AFRICAN-AMERICAN YOUNG PEOPLE THAT

5 GO INTO OUR PROBATION CAMPS AND IN OUR JAILS, THAT IT'S VERY

6 IMPORTANT FOR US TO LOOK AT HOW THAT EDUCATION IS ADDRESSED IN

7 THOSE AREAS. OBVIOUSLY, IN THE AREA OF HEALTH, WE ARE THE

8 SAFETY NET, AND WE HAVE A REAL RESPONSIBILITY TO LOOK AT THAT.

9 THE WHOLE ISSUE OF OBESITY IS ONE THAT I KNOW THAT WE'RE GOING

10 TO BE CONCENTRATING ON. I KNOW SUPERVISOR MOLINA AND I ARE

11 GOING TO BE WORKING IN TRYING TO ADDRESS THIS IN A REAL WAY IN

12 OUR COMMUNITIES, BUT ALSO I THINK THAT IT'S NECESSARY, FROM

13 OUR SMALL BUSINESS AREAS, TO TRY TO EMPHASIZE MORE OUTREACH IN

14 TERMS OF SMALL BUSINESS TO INCREASE THE OPPORTUNITIES FOR

15 SMALL BUSINESS AND FOR A RELATIONSHIP WITH THOSE SMALL

16 BUSINESSES TO MAKE THEM STRONGER. AND, OF COURSE, THE HOUSING

17 AREA IS ONE THAT WE HAVE TO ADDRESS AND THAT WE CONTINUE TO

18 TRY TO DEVELOP, WHICH IS TOUGH IN LOS ANGELES WITH THE HIGH

19 COST OF HOUSING. BUT OUR PROGRAMS IN HOUSING TO INCREASE THE

20 AMOUNT OF HOME OWNERSHIP CAN MAKE SUCH A DIFFERENCE. SO I WANT

21 TO COMMEND YOU ON THIS AND I HOPE YOU'RE GOING TO DO IT THE

22 NEXT YEAR AND WILL CONTINUE TO LOOK AT THIS BECAUSE IT'S VERY

23 IMPORTANT TO ALSO SEE HOW THESE NUMBERS GO UP. SOME OF THESE,

24 I SUSPECT, HAVE GONE DOWN IN RECENT YEARS. I MEAN, IT'S A

25 MATTER OF EDUCATIONAL AREA, INSTEAD OF GOING UP, IT'S ONE THAT



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1 APPEARS TO BE GOING DOWN AND ALSO IN OTHER AREAS. SO I THINK  
2 THAT IT'S IMPORTANT TO DO TRACKING AND TO SEE IF WE HAVE THAT  
3 INFORMATION FOR PRIOR YEARS. OF COURSE, THE NUMBERS, IN TERMS  
4 OF AFRICAN-AMERICANS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, CONTINUE TO DROP  
5 BECAUSE PEOPLE MOVE INTO OTHER PLACES.

6

7 **ELISE BUIK:** I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO NOTE THE NUANCES OF THE  
8 DIFFERENT ETHNIC GROUPS. WE CLEARLY SAW MORE EVIDENCE OF  
9 WHAT'S BEEN TOUTED AS A DUAL JUSTICE SYSTEM. WE HAD GREAT DATA  
10 FROM U.C.L.A. I THINK THE OVER REPRESENTATION AMONGST THE  
11 HOMELESS IS SOMETHING THAT'S VERY TROUBLING AND, AS WE'RE  
12 TALKING ABOUT KATRINA, WE'RE VERY NERVOUS ABOUT THE SAFETY NET  
13 FOR OUR OWN LOCAL RESIDENTS. BUT, IN ADDITION, AS WE LOOK  
14 ACROSS THE ACTION AGENDAS, WE ALSO SEE AREAS FOR POLICY CHANGE  
15 THAT AFFECT ALL THE ETHNIC GROUPS, SO I THINK BOTH THOSE  
16 DIRECTIONS ARE IMPORTANT.

17

18 **JIM CASTILLO:** THIS HAS GENERATED A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF  
19 COMMUNITY SUPPORT AND IT'S GONE FROM JUST THE FAITH COMMUNITY  
20 TO THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY AND ALSO THE ACADEMIC COMMUNITY,  
21 TRYING TO UNDERSTAND WHAT THIS MEANS FOR THE FUTURE OF OUR  
22 CITY. BASED ON THIS REPORT, AND I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO NOTE  
23 THAT WE HAVE THE LATINO SCORE CARD AND THE ASIAN/PACIFIC  
24 ISLANDERS, THERE ARE A COUPLE MODELS FOR SOLUTIONS. THE  
25 SOLUTIONS CAN BE A INDIVIDUALLY STAFFED PROGRAM, MUCH LIKE THE



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1 ALLIANCE FOR A BETTER COMMUNITY HAS USED TO EMBRACE AND TO BE  
2 RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OR THE SECOND MODEL IS CONSOLIDATION OF  
3 THE RESPONSIBILITY UNDER THE LOS ANGELES URBAN LEAGUE  
4 STRUCTURE AND ALSO ORGANIZATION. BUT, CLEARLY, I THINK THE  
5 UNITED WAY, WHICH I MUST COMPLIMENT ELISE AND THE GROUP AND  
6 THE LOS ANGELES URBAN LEAGUE ARE COMMITTED TO ENSURE THAT WE  
7 HAVE THE APPROPRIATE STRUCTURE, FOLLOWED BY THE APPROPRIATE  
8 STAKEHOLDERS AND FOCUSING WITH SOME DRIVE FOR SYNERGY WITHIN  
9 THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN COMMUNITY, BUT ALSO AS WE SEE THE  
10 DIVERSITY OF OUR COMMUNITY FOR THE GREATER LOS ANGELES  
11 COMMUNITY BECAUSE THERE ARE SOME OTHER AREAS THAT INDICATE  
12 VERY CLOSE PROXIMITY OF THE LATINO POPULATION TO THE AFRICAN-  
13 AMERICAN POPULATION, ESPECIALLY IN THE AREA OF HOUSING AND WE  
14 HAVE ALREADY STARTED AND WE HAVE ALREADY BEEN EMBRACED BY THE  
15 LATINO COMMUNITY WITHOUT LOSING EMPHASIS ON THE BOTTOM OF--  
16 THE BOTTOM POSITION THAT THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN COMMUNITY FACES  
17 IN TRYING TO DRIVE SIGNIFICANT SYSTEM-WIDE SOLUTIONS. THANK  
18 YOU.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I HAVE A-- EVERY TIME I SEE THESE REPORTS,  
21 AND UNITED WAY DOES THEM OVER AND OVER AGAIN, I DON'T MEAN TO  
22 BE DISRESPECTFUL, BUT WHETHER IT BE ON CHILD CARE, LATINO OR  
23 WHATEVER, WE GET THESE SURVEYS AND, OF COURSE, THESE  
24 ASSESSMENTS BUT I NEVER AM CONNECTED COMPLETELY TO AN ACTION  
25 PLAN AND I'M STILL NOT. HOW DO I GET THERE?



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2 **ELISE BUIK:** WELL, AS JIM MENTIONED, I THINK, WITH EACH OF THE  
3 ETHNIC REPORTS, THERE ARE DIFFERENT ACTION TEAMS ASSOCIATED  
4 WITH IT. WE ARE UPDATING THE LATINO SCORE...

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I KNOW, BUT I'M JUST TALKING, FOR EXAMPLE,  
7 IN THIS ONE, THERE'S ALL THESE RECOMMENDATIONS BUT HOW ARE  
8 THEY PLACED IN-- I MEAN, HOW ARE THEY PLACED INTO ACTION?

9

10 **JIM CASTILLO:** THE TEST WAS IN THE TWO MODELS THAT I HAD  
11 MENTIONED. WE HAVE THE LATINO SCORE CARD, AND ONE OF THE  
12 THINGS THAT'S HAPPENED IS, ONE, YES, TO YOUR POINT, WHY DON'T  
13 WE SEE SOME REAL SOLUTIONS TO SOME OF THE LARGER POLICY  
14 ISSUES?

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** NO, THAT'S NOT WHAT I'M ASKING.

17

18 **JIM CASTILLO:** OKAY.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YOU SAID: INCREASE THE PRESENCE OF BLACK  
21 MALE ROLE MODELS AND MENTORS IN PROGRAMS FOR YOUTH. THAT'S  
22 UNDER CRIMINAL JUSTICE. HOW ARE YOU GOING TO DO THIS?

23





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1   **JIM CASTILLO:** WE HAVE SUBCOMMITTEES THAT ARE FORMED THAT PUT  
2   TOGETHER THIS GROUP THAT ARE CURRENTLY IN PLACE RIGHT NOW THAT  
3   PUT TOGETHER A REPORT. THIS COMING...

4

5   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** FROM THIS?

6

7   **JIM CASTILLO:** YES, YES. THIS COMING MONDAY, WE HAVE A STEERING  
8   COMMITTEE THAT ELISE AND I ARE PULLING TOGETHER OF KEY  
9   STAKEHOLDERS TO MAKE SURE WE HAVE INDIVIDUALS THAT CAN PULL  
10  TOGETHER LARGER COALITIONS TO HAVE A MORE SIGNIFICANT IMPACT.  
11  SUPERVISOR, THERE ARE A NUMBER OF THINGS THAT HAVE BEEN  
12  HAPPENING. IT'S TRAGIC...

13

14  **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I KNOW, BUT THAT'S MEETING. THERE'S A LOT  
15  OF MEETINGS AND MY STAFF CAN ATTEND MEETINGS ALL DAY LONG.  
16  TELL ME. I MEAN, HERE'S SOMETHING SO BASIC BUT HOW DO YOU--  
17  HOW DO YOU WRAP A PROGRAM WITH IT? I MEAN, AND EVERY ONE THAT  
18  YOU LOOK AT, THERE-- BRING COMMUNITY RESOURCES TO BEAR,  
19  PROMOTE CULTURAL COMPETENCE, DEVELOP OPTIONS, ADVOCATE FOR  
20  THE-- THEY'RE VERY GENERAL AND GENERIC. BUT, I MEAN, LET'S  
21  SAY, HOW-- ARE YOU GOING TO COME UP WITH AN ACTION PLAN FOR  
22  THESE INITIATIVES?

23

24  **JIM CASTILLO:** YES.

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1 **ELISE BUIK:** YES, THAT'S WHAT THE STEERING COMMITTEE WILL BE  
2 WORKING ON...

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WHEN WILL THEY COME?

5

6 **ELISE BUIK:** WE'RE MEETING ON MONDAY. YOU KNOW, THERE HAS-- YOU  
7 CAN IMAGINE...

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OKAY. SO LET'S SAY YOU MEET ON MONDAY.  
10 WILL WE GET THEM IN JANUARY?

11

12 **ELISE BUIK:** THAT WOULD BE OUR HOPE IS BY THE END OF YEAR. I  
13 MEAN, I THINK THERE'S A COUPLE THINGS WITH THE REPORTS. I  
14 MEAN, "A" IS TO RAISE AWARENESS AS TO...

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I KNOW, BUT IT DOESN'T DO ANYTHING. YOU  
17 DON'T KNOW HOW MUCH THIS GETS-- HERE WE ARE, A POLICYMAKING  
18 GROUP AND IF YOU DON'T TELL...

19

20 **ELISE BUIK:** WELL, I GUESS...

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ...US AND GIVE US AN ACTION, WE'LL SHELF  
23 THIS. I'M JUST TRYING TO ENCOURAGE YOU TO...

24



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1 **ELISE BUIK:** YEAH. NO, I APPRECIATE IT. I GUESS I WOULD GIVE  
2 YOU THE EXAMPLE: THE LATINO SCORE CARD IS ACTUALLY A REPORT  
3 WE'VE BEEN DOING SINCE '99. AN EXAMPLE OF ACTION IN THAT WAS  
4 ONE OF THE KEY DRIVERS OF THE-- WE'VE BEEN WORKING WITH IN  
5 COLLABORATION WITH ALLIANCE FOR BETTER COMMUNITY IN  
6 COLLABORATION WITH FAMILIES AND SCHOOLS, IN COLLABORATION WITH  
7 COMMUNITY...

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I KNOW, BUT I'VE ASKED THEM REGULARLY TO  
10 KEEP ME INFORMED AS TO WHAT'S GOING ON AND THERE'S JUST NOT A  
11 LOT OF DEPTH THERE. I MEAN, LOOK AT THE STATISTICS FOR OUR  
12 CHILDREN AND WHEN I ASK FOR PARENTS, PARTICULARLY SCHOOLS, AS  
13 TO HOW THE PARENTS ARE INTERFACING WITH THE SCHOOLS, WE GET  
14 VERY, VERY LITTLE REPORT BACK FROM A.B.C. AS TO HOW THAT IS  
15 ACTUALLY WORKING. SO IT'S HARD-- I MEAN, AS A POLICY MAKER,  
16 I'M JUST SAYING, I KNOW WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT BUT HERE'S  
17 ONE IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE WHERE IT'S JUST-- THERE'S SO MUCH THAT  
18 WE COULD BE DOING AND THE ESCALATION OF YOUTH THAT ARE DYING  
19 IN OUR STREETS IS AMAZING. WE HAVE PARENTS WHO CONSTANTLY  
20 BLAME US. WE HAD A GROUP OF PARENTS THAT CAME HERE LAST WEEK  
21 ON OUR C.Y.A. AND WHAT WAS GOING ON IN THE CALIFORNIA YOUTH  
22 AUTHORITY, AND YET, AT THE SAME TIME, FOR A CHILD TO GET TO  
23 C.Y.A., THEY HAVE TO HAVE GONE THROUGH OUR COUNTY SYSTEM AND  
24 EXHAUSTED EVERY POTENTIAL RESOURCE. AND SO IT SEEMS TO ME THAT  
25 THAT MOMMY NEEDED SOME HELP ALONG THE WAY TO HELP HER CHILD



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1 BECAUSE HE MUST HAVE BEEN IN AND OUT OF PROBATION, IN AND OUT  
2 OF OUR CAMPS BEFORE HE ENDED UP AT C.Y.A. AND I JUST-- I'M  
3 ALWAYS, AS A POLICY MAKER, LOOKING FOR PROGRAMMING SOLUTIONS.  
4 WE NEED TO INSTITUTIONALIZE THEM WITHIN OUR SYSTEM AND I KNOW  
5 THAT WE HAVE A LOT TO DO, THERE'S NO DOUBT, BUT IT JUST SEEMS  
6 AS THOUGH I CAN'T DEAL WITH PROMOTE, ORGANIZE RESOURCES. I  
7 MEAN, YOU HAVE TO GIVE ME SOME ACTION ITEMS. MAYBE SOME OTHER  
8 PEOPLE WILL DO OTHER THINGS BUT...

9

10 **ELISE BUIK:** WELL, I MEAN, I THINK ONE-- THERE'S TWO ISSUES. I  
11 MEAN, ONE WITH THE LATINO SCORE CARD, I'M HAPPY TO GIVE YOU A  
12 FULL REPORT ON WHAT-- THE PROGRESS WE HAVE MADE.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I'M NOT ASKING ABOUT THE LATINO SCORECARD.

15

16 **ELISE BUIK:** I WILL PERSONALLY GIVE IT TO YOU. I MEAN, ONE  
17 EXAMPLE OF A SUCCESS WAS THAT, IN WORKING WITH OUR PARENT  
18 GROUPS, THE ONE THING THEY WANTED WAS COLLEGE PREP COURSES FOR  
19 ALL THEIR STUDENTS AND WE SUCCESSFULLY WERE ABLE TO GET THAT  
20 PASSED BY THE SCHOOL BOARD, WHICH HAD BEEN A 10-YEAR CAMPAIGN  
21 THAT WE WERE ABLE TO GET IT IMPLEMENTED. NOW WE'RE WORKING  
22 WITH LAUSD ON HOW THOSE KIDS CAN SUCCEED. THAT'S A MAJOR  
23 POLICY CHANGE.

24



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1   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WELL, ALL I KNOW IS I SIT HERE AS A POLICY  
2   MAKER AND THIS REPORT IS NOT YET HELPFUL TO ME. I THANK YOU  
3   VERY MUCH FOR IT, BUT I REALLY WISH IT HAD SOME ACTIONS THAT I  
4   COULD FOLLOW UP ON.

5

6   **JIM CASTILLO:** WELL, THE ACTION ITEMS, AS WE INDICATED,  
7   SUPERVISOR, THEY ARE FORTHCOMING. THE REPORT WAS JUST TURNED  
8   OUT. WE WOULD LOVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO COME BACK AND TO BRING  
9   THOSE THINGS BEFORE YOU, THOSE THAT ARE POLICY-RELATED ACTION  
10   PLANS THAT REQUIRE YOUR SUPPORT IN DRIVING THE SOLUTIONS. WE  
11   WILL BRING THOSE HERE. WE'D LOVE TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY,  
12   BECAUSE THIS IS...

13

14   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WE WOULD WELCOME IT.

15

16   **JIM CASTILLO:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU.

17

18   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. ANY OTHER QUESTION OR COMMENT?  
19   WELL, WE THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH AND WE DO LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR  
20   SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS FOR US AS A BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF  
21   THINGS THAT WE CAN IMPLEMENT AND DO AND CARRY OUT, BECAUSE I  
22   THINK WE WANT TO BE PART OF CHANGING THESE PROFILES IN A MORE  
23   POSITIVE FASHION.

24



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1   **SUP. BURKE:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH AND I AGREE THAT WE WOULD  
2   REALLY WELCOME AN ACTION AGENDA SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD OF  
3   SUPERVISORS.

4

5   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THAT WOULD BE GREAT. THANK YOU SO MUCH.  
6   ALL RIGHT. MR. YAROSLAVSKY, YOU COMPLETED YOUR ITEMS.  
7   SUPERVISOR KNABE, YOUR SPECIALS, PLEASE. ALL RIGHT.

8

9   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I'D LIKE TO MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE  
10   MEMORY OF AURORA LAPUZ RECANA, WIFE OF JUDGE MEL RED RECANA,  
11   WHO PASSED AWAY IN JULY. SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND AND  
12   SON. DR. OSWALD HOFFMANN, LONG-TIME VOICE OF THE LUTHERAN  
13   HOUR, A RADIO PROGRAM, DIED THURSDAY IN ST. LOUIS AFTER A  
14   BRIEF ILLNESS. HE WAS 91. HE WAS ORDAINED A LUTHERAN MINISTER  
15   IN 1939, SERVED THE CHURCH AS A RELIGIOUS LEADER AND  
16   AMBASSADOR, SERVED AT HIS LORD AND SAVIOR FOR NEARLY 70 YEARS  
17   IN A CAREER THAT INCLUDED VARIED ROLES AS AN AUTHOR, PASTOR,  
18   BROADCASTER, CLASSICAL LINGUIST SCHOLAR, TEACHER, TRANSLATOR,  
19   PUBLIC RELATIONS DIRECTOR, FILM PRODUCTION ADVISOR, MEMBER OF  
20   VARIOUS ORGANIZATIONAL BOARD FOR MORE THAN 33 YEARS. DR.  
21   HOFMANN WAS A SUNDAY RADIO INSTITUTION TOUCHING MILLIONS  
22   WORLDWIDE WITH HIS INSPIRATIONAL BROADCASTS OF THE LUTHERAN  
23   HOUR. I HAD THE PRIVILEGE TO KNOW HIM FOR MANY, MANY YEARS AND  
24   HE WAS A ROLE MODEL AND A VERY EFFECTIVE SPOKESPERSON. FRED  
25   JOERGER, WHO WAS A MASTER MODEL MAKER WHO HELPED CREATE





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1 DISNEYLAND BY MOLDING THE SLEEPING BEAUTY CASTLE AND OTHER  
2 ATTRACTIONS IN MINIATURE HAS DIED. HE WAS 91 YEARS OLD. HE  
3 BECAME THE FIELD ART DIRECTOR, MAKING SURE THAT SUCH RIDES AS  
4 PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN, THE SUBMARINE VOYAGE ACHIEVED THE  
5 LOOK THAT DISNEY'S IMAGINEERS ENVISIONED. HE IS SURVIVED BY  
6 HIS NIECE, GRAND NIECE AND GRAND NEPHEW. SIDNEY LEVINSON, WHO  
7 WAS 20 YEARS WORKING FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY AS AN  
8 ACCOUNTANT AND CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF  
9 PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES, PASSED AWAY. A GOOD FRIEND, CHARLES  
10 NAVARRO, FORMER LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL MEMBER AND CONTROLLER  
11 WHO SERVED UNDER FOUR MAYORS, PASSED AWAY OF NATURAL CAUSES AT  
12 HIS PARK LA BREA HOME. HE WAS 101 YEARS OLD. CHARLES WAS STILL  
13 DRIVING AT 100 AND TAKING CARE OF EVERYTHING. HE WAS A FORMER  
14 MUSICIAN WHO ENTERED POLITICS IN 1951 WHEN HE WAS ELECTED TO  
15 THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE TENTH DISTRICT, AND HE IS SURVIVED BY  
16 HIS WIFE, SEDA, AND HIS STEPSON, ARMEN. MICHAEL SCOTT  
17 SPRINKLES, PARAMEDIC, EMPLOYED BY THE AMERICAN MEDICAL  
18 RESPONSE COMPANY FOR THE PAST 10 YEARS, KNOWN CLOSEST TO HIM  
19 AS A FAMILY MAN, GOOD FRIEND AND HARD WORKER. AND STUART  
20 GEORGE "STU" TAYS OF CHATSWORTH, WHILE LIVING NEAR THE CAL  
21 STATE NORTHRIDGE, HE SERVED AS PRESIDENT OF THE SCHOOL OF  
22 ENGINEERING ADVISORY COUNCIL. AND THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS.  
23  
24 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED ON THOSE ADJOURNMENTS. I'M  
25 SORRY. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY HAD NOT COMPLETED. I APOLOGIZE.



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**SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT'S QUITE ALL RIGHT. I WANT TO-- WAS  
GOING TO ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF CHARLES NAVARRO. I'LL JOIN  
WITH MR. ANTONOVICH ON HIM. HE WAS A REAL GREAT GUY AND  
GENTLEMAN AND A CLASS ACT AND HE WAS VERY ACTIVE IN HIS  
COMMUNITY. STILL CAME TO ALL THE OLD CITY COUNCIL REUNIONS AND  
WAS ACTIVE IN SO MANY WAYS. HE WAS IN GREAT SHAPE. SO ANYWAY,  
HE'LL BE MISSED. MADAM CHAIR, I HAD HELD-- OR I HADN'T HELD  
BUT THERE WAS A HOLD ON ITEM NUMBER 2, WHICH I WANTED TO CALL  
UP.

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**SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. ITEM NUMBER 2, PLEASE. THIS WAS  
ALSO HELD BY MR. KNABE AND SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

14

**SUP. KNABE:** YEAH. I GUESS THE QUESTION I HAD WAS THAT, YOU  
KNOW, THE REGIONAL QUALITY WATER BOARD, YOU KNOW, NEVER  
CONSIDERED COST AS A PART OF THE EQUATION WHEN IT DEVELOPED  
THE STORM WATER REGULATIONS, THE THING WE CONTINUE TO FIGHT  
FOR. AND I'M JUST CONCERNED, AS WE INVESTIGATE THESE FUNDING  
MECHANISMS, WE HAVE NO IDEA WHAT THE COST IS GOING TO BE AND  
HOW WE EVALUATE THAT, AND TO HAVE SOMETHING-- THE CONCERN THAT  
I WOULD HAVE WOULD BE TO LEAVE SOMETHING LIKE THIS, A VERY  
EXPENSIVE POTENTIAL COST TO THE TAXPAYER TO LEAVE IT OPEN-  
ENDED. AND SO I JUST, IN THE FRAMEWORK OF HOWEVER YOU'RE GOING  
TO PUT THIS THING TOGETHER, HOW YOU'RE GOING TO DEAL WITH



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1 SOMETHING THAT YOU DON'T KNOW HOW MUCH IT'S GOING TO COST.  
2 BECAUSE I'VE BEEN AT PUBLIC FORUMS AND PARTICIPATED IN FORUMS  
3 WITH SOME OF THOSE FOLKS AND THEY JUST SAID, "COST IS NOT AN  
4 ISSUE, WHATEVER IT COSTS." SO HOW DO YOU DEVELOP A FUNDING  
5 MECHANISM WHEN YOU DON'T HAVE ANY IDEA HOW MUCH IT'S GOING TO  
6 COST?

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I THINK THAT'S A FAIR QUESTION AND I THINK  
9 IT'S A CONCERN THAT ALL OF US HAVE. I'M NOT SURE HOW MUCH  
10 CONTROL WE HAVE OVER WHAT OTHERS DO BUT I'D LIKE TO ASK...

11

12 **SUP. KNABE:** NO, I UNDERSTAND THAT.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ...IT HAS TO BE ADDRESSED. MR. PESTRELLA  
15 PERHAPS CAN...

16

17 **MARK PESTRELLA:** MARK PESTRELLA WITH PUBLIC WORKS. THIS IS IN  
18 DIVISION-- DIVISION CHIEF OF WATERSHED MANAGEMENT DIVISION.  
19 THAT'S A VERY FAIR QUESTION, SUPERVISOR KNABE, AND, IN FACT,  
20 WE HAVE A SCALE OF THE MAGNITUDE OF THE AMOUNT OF MONEY THAT  
21 IT'S GOING TO COST US TO COMPLY BUT YOU'RE CORRECT IN THAT  
22 EACH TMDL OR TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOAD THAT COMES OUT OF OUR  
23 REGIONAL BOARD HAS ITS OWN COST TO IT AND SO ESTIMATING THE  
24 TOTAL COST THAT WE WOULD CHARGE IN ANY ASSESSMENT WOULD BE



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1 SOMETHING VERY DIFFICULT TO DO SITTING HERE IN FRONT OF YOU  
2 TODAY. PART OF THE...

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** NO, I UNDERSTAND TODAY. I MEAN, I'M NOT ASKING FOR  
5 IT TODAY, BUT, I MEAN, AS THIS REPORT COMES BACK. I MEAN,  
6 OBVIOUSLY, I DON'T HAVE A PROBLEM LOOKING AT THE REPORT. I MAY  
7 HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THE REPORT AND THAT'S A CONCERN THAT I  
8 HAVE, YOU HAVE AN OPEN-ENDED EXPENDITURE.

9

10 **MARK PESTRELLA:** I THINK THAT WE WILL HAVE SOMEWHAT OF AN OPEN-  
11 ENDED EXPENDITURE BECAUSE WE DO NOT KNOW THE TOTAL COST AS THE  
12 T.M.D.L.S. COME DOWN BUT WE DO HAVE A FIX ON WHAT IT IS  
13 COSTING US ANNUALLY TO COMPLY WITH THE M.P.D.S. PERMIT  
14 CURRENTLY AND WE KNOW THOSE COSTS ARE GOING TO OUTWEIGH OUR  
15 BUDGETS VERY SOON.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. THANK YOU.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME, SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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21 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YES, SIR. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I SHARE SOME OF THOSE SAME VIEWS AS  
24 SUPERVISOR KNABE BECAUSE OF THE COSTS AND, GIVEN THE COUNTY'S  
25 POSITION AS THE PRINCIPAL PERMITTEE FOR THE NATIONAL POLLUTANT



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1 DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM FOR MOST CITIES WITHIN OUR  
2 COUNTY, WE ARE THE LOGICAL LEADER IN COORDINATING THE EFFORT.  
3 HOWEVER, THE MOTION CALLS FOR A NUMBER OF POTENTIAL SOLUTIONS,  
4 SUCH AS THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS, ESTABLISHMENT OF ASSESSMENT  
5 DISTRICTS OR THE ADOPTION OF STATE LEGISLATION, AND IT'S  
6 IMPERATIVE, WHEN YOU DO THAT STUDY, THAT THESE ISSUES BE  
7 PRIORITIZED WITH THE OPTIONS. THE POTENTIAL COSTS OF  
8 ADDRESSING THE REQUIREMENTS IS IN THE BILLIONS AND BILLIONS OF  
9 DOLLARS AND WHILE THE FEDERAL AND STATE GOVERNMENTS HAVE  
10 ENACTED LAWS THAT REQUIRE SUCH CLEANUP BY COUNTIES AND CITIES,  
11 THEY HAVE PROVIDED LOCAL GOVERNMENT NO RESOURCES TO PAY FOR  
12 THOSE ASSOCIATED COSTS. NEITHER THE COUNTY NOR THE INDIVIDUAL  
13 CITIES HAVE THAT FINANCIAL CAPACITY TO ABSORB ALL THOSE COSTS  
14 TO BE IN COMPLIANCE. SO THE PRESUMPTIVE SOLUTION TO THE  
15 PROBLEM, AMONG SOME PARTIES, IS TO MOVE FORWARD WITH A BALLOT  
16 PROPOSITION THAT WOULD FURTHER TAX BURDEN THE PROPERTY OWNERS  
17 IN OUR COUNTY. AND THE BOARD HAS A FIDUCIARY OBLIGATION, BOTH  
18 TO OUR COUNTY VOTERS AND TO OUR CITIES, TO IDENTIFY FUNDING  
19 SOURCES THAT DO NOT INCREASE THE TAX BURDEN UPON OUR LOCAL  
20 COMMUNITIES. AS STAFF INVESTIGATES THIS ISSUE, ATTENTION  
21 SHOULD BE GIVEN TO WORKING WITH OUR LEGISLATIVE  
22 REPRESENTATIVES TO IDENTIFY EXISTING FEDERAL AND STATE FUNDING  
23 SOURCES RATHER THAN TURNING TO LOCAL VOTERS TO PROVIDE  
24 ADDITIONAL TAXES WHICH THE COST IS OUT OF THE REALM. ANY, IN  
25 FACT, SOME OF THE CITIES WE'RE TALKING ABOUT HAVING TO GIVE UP



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1 THEIR INCORPORATION IF THEY HAD TO COMPLY WITH SUCH A STANDARD  
2 BECAUSE THEY DID NOT HAVE THE RESOURCES FOR THEIR CITY TO PAY  
3 SUCH A MANDATE AND THAT MEANS, IF THEY GIVE UP THEIR  
4 INCORPORATION, THEY RETURN TO THE COUNTY AND THE COUNTY  
5 DOESN'T HAVE THOSE RESOURCES AS WELL. SO, WHEN YOU DO YOUR  
6 STUDY, I MEAN, YOU HAVE TO TAKE THOSE FACTS INTO  
7 CONSIDERATION. IT'S NOT SOMETHING LIKE YOU JUST PASS A 10-  
8 DOLLAR TAX BECAUSE THAT'S NOT GOING TO DO THE JOB.

9

10 **MARK PESTRELLA:** UNDERSTOOD, SUPERVISOR.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** DO YOU HAVE ANY OTHER QUESTIONS? NO? ALL  
13 RIGHT. THE ITEM IS BEFORE US.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAM CHAIR, I JUST-- THE REPORT WE GET BACK  
16 WILL BE COMPREHENSIVE. IT NEEDS TO ADDRESS THESE ISSUES. THOSE  
17 ARE THE ISSUES THAT ARE A CONCERN NOT ONLY TO ALL MEMBERS OF  
18 THE BOARD BUT ALSO TO PEOPLE IN OUR COMMUNITIES BECAUSE  
19 THEY'RE GOING TO BE PAYING THE BILL, SO WE LOOK FORWARD TO  
20 THAT. AND YOU BELIEVE YOU CAN HAVE A REPORT ON THIS BY WHEN?

21

22 **MARK PESTRELLA:** WELL, THE MOTION IS CALLING FOR 30 DAYS FOR A  
23 REPORT.

24

25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** DO YOU THINK YOU CAN DO IT IN 30 DAYS?





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2 **MARK PESTRELLA:** THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS HAS BEEN  
3 WORKING WITHIN THE REGION, AS REPORTED TO YOU BY OUR DIRECTOR  
4 PREVIOUSLY, AND WE DO BELIEVE WE CAN HAVE A REPORT BACK TO YOU  
5 WITHIN 30 DAYS ON THIS MATTER.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. I'LL MOVE IT, MADAM CHAIR.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THE ITEM IS BEFORE US. IS THERE ANY  
10 OBJECTION? IF NOT, SO ORDERED ON THAT ITEM.

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12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAM CHAIR, I ALSO WANT TO ADJOURN IN THE  
13 MEMORY OF FREDA CHESSLER, 99 YEARS OLD, LONG-TIME FRIEND OF  
14 OUR FAMILY, CAME FROM THE SAME TOWN IN THE UKRAINE AS MY  
15 FATHER DID, AND OVER THE YEARS, IN THE SOVIET UNION'S DAYS,  
16 SHUTTLED MESSAGES BACK AND FORTH WITH MY AUNTS, BETWEEN MY  
17 AUNTS AND MY DAD, AND SHE LIVED A LONG AND HEALTHY LIFE AND  
18 ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN HER MEMORY.

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20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. SO ORDERED ON THAT ADJOURNMENT.

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THERE WERE SOME ITEMS THAT ARE BEING HELD  
23 FOR THE PUBLIC. I'LL CALL THEM UP, MADAM CHAIR. ITEM 4.

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1   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ITEM 4. MR. BAXTER, YOU HELD THIS ITEM. IF  
2   YOU COULD ALSO ADDRESS US ON ITEM 21, WE WOULD APPRECIATE IT.

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4   **PETER BAXTER:** MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF YOUR HONORABLE BOARD,  
5   MR. JANSSEN, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MY NAME IS PETER BAXTER AND  
6   I LIVE IN LOS ANGELES. IT IS RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED THAT THIS  
7   ITEM NUMBER 4 CELEBRATES THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE UNITED STATES'  
8   CONSTITUTION. CURIOUS ABOUT THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE  
9   CONSTITUTION IS THAT THE LANGUAGE OF THE CONSTITUTION IS  
10   WRITTEN TO PROVIDE FOR A PARLIAMENTARY FORM OF GOVERNMENT  
11   RATHER THAN A PRESIDENTIAL FORM OF GOVERNMENT. THE VERY FIRST  
12   25 WORDS OF THE CONSTITUTION, FOLLOWING THE PREAMBLE, READ AS  
13   FOLLOWS: I'M QUOTING: "ALL LEGISLATIVE POWERS HEREIN GRANTED  
14   SHALL BE VESTED IN A CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES, WHICH  
15   SHALL CONSIST OF A SENATE AND A HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES."  
16   THAT'S THE END OF THE QUOTATION. THAT'S THE END OF MY  
17   PRESENTATION ON ITEM NUMBER 4. NOW I GO TO AGENDA NUMBER 21,  
18   FIRE DEPARTMENT. IT IS RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED THAT MISS WENDY  
19   THERMOS, STAFF WRITER FOR "THE LOS ANGELES TIMES", REPORTS IN  
20   THAT NEWSPAPER DATED SEPTEMBER 08, 2005, THAT THE  
21   INVESTIGATION INTO THE CARSON TOWNHOUSE FIRE ON SEPTEMBER 04,  
22   2005, WHICH KILLED 5 CHILDREN, WAS CONDUCTED UNDER THE  
23   SUPERVISION OF LIEUTENANT ALGIHTIFEN OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
24   SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. AS SUBMITTED LAST WEEK, BEFORE YOUR  
25   HONORABLE BOARD, IN MY COMMENT ON THAT FIRE, THE INVESTIGATIVE



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1 REPORT DOES NOT INCLUDE ANY REFERENCE TO THE METHOD OF  
2 FIGHTING THE FIRE, AND SPECIFICALLY IN TERMS OF USING STEAM.  
3 THE REPORT HAS A LOT TO SAY ABOUT CHILDREN PLAYING WITH--  
4 PERHAPS MAYBE CHILDREN WERE PLAYING WITH A LIGHTER BUT IT  
5 DOESN'T SAY ANYTHING ABOUT HOW THE FIRE IS CONDUCTED OR THE  
6 METHOD OF USING THE FIRE, AND THEY CERTAINLY DON'T TALK ABOUT  
7 USE OF-- POSSIBLE USE OF STEAM. SO IF THE LIEUTENANT IN THE  
8 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IS GOING TO INSPECT-- INVESTIGATE A FIRE,  
9 IT SEEMS THAT HE'S VERY CAREFUL NOT TO TALK ABOUT WHAT THE  
10 FIRE CHIEF IS RESPONSIBLE FOR IN TERMS OF HOW HE CONDUCTS A  
11 FIRE. IT SEEMS RATHER ONE-SIDED OR FIXED-- IT'S ALMOST LIKE  
12 HAVING AN INVESTIGATION THAT'S FIXED BY THE SHERIFF AND WE'RE  
13 TALKING ABOUT THE LIVES OF YOUNG CHILDREN WHO CAN'T THINK OR  
14 HAVE NO IDEA OF WHAT ALL THIS IS ALL ABOUT, ALL OF WHICH IS  
15 RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED AND I THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND,  
16 INCIDENTALLY, I PUT THIS PARTICULAR ITEM IN THE LOS ANGELES  
17 DAILY JOURNAL OF TODAY, AND IT'S ON THE PAGE 2 UP IN THE TOP  
18 LEFT-HAND CORNER. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. BAXTER.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAM CHAIR, I MOVE THE ITEMS.

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1    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE,  
2    SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. AND THAT IS ITEM NUMBER 4  
3    AND ITEM NUMBER 21. VERY GOOD.

4

5    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CALL UP ITEM 9.

6

7    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ITEM NUMBER 9. WE HAVE TWO PEOPLE WHO WISH  
8    TO ADDRESS US ON THIS ITEM. MALURY SILBERMAN AND BRUCE  
9    PERELMAN. IF THEY WOULD JOIN US, PLEASE. PLEASE PROCEED, SIR.

10

11    **BRUCE PERELMAN:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING. OR GOOD AFTERNOON  
12    NOW.

13

14    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** AFTERNOON ALREADY.

15

16    **BRUCE PERELMAN:** HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, WE LEARNED FROM  
17    WITNESSES THAT S.E.I.U. HAD THEIR COUNTY EMPLOYEE STEWARDS  
18    FURTHER THE ELECTION OF THEIR ENDORSED CANDIDATES ON COUNTY  
19    TIME AND, IN ADMINISTERING THE ELECTION, THE COUNTY DID NOT  
20    ENFORCE ITS OWN RULES AND PREVENT IT. THERE ARE WITNESSES WHO  
21    WANT TO COME FORWARD AND PROVIDE TESTIMONY THAT IT WAS NOT  
22    MERELY BUSINESS AGENTS BUT, IMPORTANTLY, ALSO STEWARDS ON  
23    COUNTY TIME, FURTHERING THE CAMPAIGNS OF S.E.I.U.'S  
24    CANDIDATES, CONTRARY TO WHAT WAS TOLD TO YOUR INVESTIGATORS.  
25    UNLIKE TRADITIONAL-- UNLIKE TRADITIONAL WHISTLEBLOWERS WHO



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1 REPORT WRONGDOING AND FEAR RETALIATION FROM PERSONS WITH MORE  
2 POWER THAN THEMSELVES, THESE WITNESSES ALSO ENGAGED IN THE  
3 WRONGDOING THEMSELVES. THEY WANT TO TELL YOU WHAT HAPPENED BUT  
4 THEY ARE AFRAID THAT THE COUNTY WILL DISCIPLINE THEM. AS ONE  
5 OF THE WITNESSES POINTED OUT, ONLY YOUR BOARD CAN GIVE THEM AN  
6 ASSURANCE THAT, BY COMING FORWARD, THE COUNTY WILL NOT PUNISH  
7 THEM ADMINISTRATIVELY AND YOU WILL NOT DEFER TO THE DISTRICT  
8 ATTORNEY WHAT YOU LEARN WHICH HAS, UP TO TODAY, BEEN  
9 SUCCESSFULLY CONCEALED FROM YOU AND YOU WILL NEVER OTHERWISE  
10 FIND OUT. THUS, WE ASK THAT YOU RESOLVE TODAY THAT, FOR THE  
11 NEXT TWO DAYS, THE SAME PERSONS ALREADY IDENTIFIED TO THE  
12 AUDITOR-CONTROLLER'S OFFICE MAY COME FORWARD AND PROVIDE  
13 INFORMATION TO YOUR INVESTIGATORS WITH YOUR ASSURANCE THAT  
14 THEY WILL BE TREATED AS WITNESSES AND NOT TURNED INTO THE  
15 SUBJECT OF THE INVESTIGATION. IN CONJUNCTION, WE ASK THAT YOU  
16 CONTINUE THIS MATTER UNTIL NEXT WEEK BECAUSE, WITH AN  
17 ASSURANCE THEY WILL NOT SUFFER FROM COMING FORWARD, THEY WILL  
18 COME FORWARD IN THE NEXT TWO DAYS OR THEY WON'T. EITHER WAY,  
19 YOU WILL KNOW BY NEXT TUESDAY THAT YOU DID WHAT YOU COULD  
20 REASONABLY DO TO ASSURE THAT FEAR DIDN'T STOP WITNESSES FROM  
21 BEING FORTHRIGHT WITH YOUR INVESTIGATORS. CURRENTLY, WITNESSES  
22 HAVE TOLD ME THAT FEAR IS WHAT IS HOLDING THEM BACK AND THEY  
23 WOULD LIKE TO COME FORWARD. JUST YESTERDAY, ONE WITNESS, WHO  
24 HAS INFORMATION ABOUT THE ENTIRE S.E.I.U. OPERATION AND HOW IT  
25 WAS DESIGNED TO CIRCUMVENT DETECTION AND HAVE A COVER STORY,



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1 IF DETECTED BY THE COUNTY IN ADMINISTERING THE ELECTION, TOLD  
2 ME THAT, IF YOU GRANT THIS PROTECTION, HE WILL COME FORWARD IN  
3 AND I QUOTE, "IN A HEARTBEAT." CERTIFYING THE ELECTION TODAY  
4 WOULD MEAN THAT SCARED WITNESSES WILL NEVER HAVE A CHANCE TO  
5 TELL YOUR INVESTIGATORS THE TRUTH. IF YOU RESOLVE TODAY TO  
6 SHIELD WITNESSES FROM ILL EFFECT AND, BY THE END OF THIS WEEK,  
7 THEY HAVE NOT COME FORWARD, MR. SILBERMAN AND I UNDERSTAND  
8 THAT, NEXT TUESDAY, YOU WILL HAVE NO OPTION BUT TO CERTIFY THE  
9 ELECTION. PLEASE PASS A MOTION, AS A BOARD, CONTINUING THIS  
10 ITEM ONE WEEK AND STATING THAT ANYONE COMING FORWARD IN THE  
11 NEXT TWO DAYS WITH TESTIMONY RELATED TO THIS AGENDA ITEM WILL  
12 NOT BE PUNISHED BY THE COUNTY FOR DOING SO. THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAM CHAIR, A QUESTION OF EITHER COUNTY COUNSEL  
15 OR THE C.A.O. WHEN WE GET THESE REPORTS BASED ON MISCONDUCT OR  
16 ACCUSATIONS, WHEN THEY'RE INTERVIEWED BY THE AUDITOR-  
17 CONTROLLER, I MEAN, IS THERE IMMUNITY OR IS THERE  
18 CONFIDENTIALITY?

19

20 **RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR.:** MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,  
21 THE AUDITORS' INVESTIGATIONS AND THEIR SUBSEQUENT REPORTS ARE  
22 OFTENTIMES DONE ON A CONFIDENTIAL BASIS. I DON'T BELIEVE AN  
23 IMMUNITY IS GRANTED OR HAS BEEN CONSIDERED. I THINK THAT'S A  
24 CONCEPT WE HAVEN'T THOUGHT ABOUT BUT THE REPORTS THEMSELVES  
25 FROM THE AUDITOR GENERALLY, BECAUSE THEY INVOLVE PERSONNEL





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1 MATTERS, COME TO YOU AS A CONFIDENTIAL DOCUMENT. THAT IS TO  
2 SAY, THEY WOULD NOT BE SHARED WITH DEPARTMENT HEADS, FOR  
3 EXAMPLE.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE:** OR OTHER EMPLOYEES OR...

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7 **RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR.:** THAT'S CORRECT.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SIR.

12

13 **MALURY SILBERMAN:** HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS MALURY  
14 SILBERMAN AND I AM A CANDIDATE FOR THE BOARD OF RETIREMENT AT  
15 LACERA. OVER 70,000 GENERAL MEMBERS OF LACERA DESERVE TO HAVE  
16 CONFIDENCE IN THE INTEGRITY OF THIS ELECTION, SO WE HAVE COME  
17 HERE TODAY TO ASK FOR A LITTLE MORE TIME AND THE ASSURANCE OF  
18 YOUR BOARD SO THAT EMPLOYEES WHO ARE FEARFUL WILL BE WILLING  
19 TO SHARE THEIR KNOWLEDGE WITH INVESTIGATORS. MR. PERELMAN AND  
20 I ARE AT YOUR SERVICE TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE  
21 REGARDING THIS MATTER. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAM CHAIR?

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25 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MR. YAROSLAVSKY.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WITHOUT DISCLOSING WHO THESE INDIVIDUALS  
3 ARE, WHICH OBVIOUSLY I WOULDN'T ASK YOU TO DO, WHAT IS IT THAT  
4 THEY WOULD TESTIFY TO? WHAT KIND OF-- WHAT KIND OF  
5 TRANSGRESSIONS HAVE THEY COMMITTED?

6

7 **BRYCE PERELMAN:** THERE'S A SHOP STEWARD WHO-- ONE PERSON BEING  
8 A SHOP STEWARD WHO FURTHERED THE CAMPAIGN OF THE CANDIDATES BY  
9 ASSISTING THEM IN THE WORKPLACE ON COUNTY TIME BUT RECORDING  
10 ON HIS TIMECARD THAT HE DID COUNTY WORK.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ASSISTING THEM IN WHAT WAY?

13

14 **BRUCE PERELMAN:** TAKING THEM AROUND, INTRODUCING THEM TO  
15 PEOPLE, SAYING, "THIS IS OUR ENDORSED CANDIDATE, PLEASE VOTE  
16 FOR HIM," AGGREGATING EMPLOYEES SO THAT THEY COULD COME IN AND  
17 SPEAK, TALKED ABOUT WHY THEY SHOULD BE ELECTED, ANSWER  
18 QUESTIONS FROM THE EMPLOYEES, ESSENTIALLY CAMPAIGN, ALL ON  
19 COUNTY TIME, ORGANIZED BY THE STEWARD. HE'S AFRAID HE'LL BE  
20 DISCIPLINED FOR DOING THAT.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HOW MANY PEOPLE WERE AGGREGATED IN THESE  
23 MEETINGS? 5? 50? 150? JUST...

24



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1   **BRUCE PERELMAN:** THERE WERE A LOT OF MEETINGS. PROBABLY 30 TO  
2   50. THIS ONE...

3

4   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HOW MANY-- HOW MANY PEOPLE HAVE COME FORWARD  
5   TO YOU AND TOLD YOU THAT THEY WANTED TO SHARE THIS INFORMATION  
6   WITH THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER, PROVIDED THEY HAVE IMMUNITY? HOW  
7   MANY INDIVIDUALS HAVE COME TO YOU?

8

9   **BRUCE PERELMAN:** ONE SPECIFICALLY ASKED IF IMMUNITY COULD BE  
10   GUARANTEED AND I SAID I CERTAINLY COULD NOT.

11

12   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. SO THIS IS ABOUT ONE INDIVIDUAL.

13

14   **BRUCE PERELMAN:** THIS IS ONE INDIVIDUAL WHO HAS THE ENTIRE, HOW  
15   IT WAS ALL PLANNED, ORGANIZED, THE INSTRUCTIONS THAT WERE  
16   GIVEN. HE HAS THE WHOLE THING AND ALSO PARTICIPATED. AND  
17   ANOTHER INDIVIDUAL WHO SAID HE'D LIKE TO COME FORWARD BUT HE  
18   DOESN'T WANT TO GET IN TROUBLE HIMSELF. HE WAS NOT AS CLEAR AS  
19   THE FIRST ONE. THE FIRST ONE SAID, "I WILL OUTLINE EVERYTHING  
20   FOR THEM, AS LONG AS I WON'T GET IN TROUBLE MYSELF," AND THE  
21   SECOND PERSON, WHO IS ALSO A STEWARD, SAID, "WELL, I'LL TALK  
22   ABOUT THE MEETING THAT I PUT TOGETHER ON COUNTY TIME, AS LONG  
23   AS I DON'T GET IN TROUBLE MYSELF."

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1   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MY PROBLEM WITH ALL OF THIS IS, SUPPOSE ALL  
2   OF THIS IS TRUE AND SUPPOSE THEY-- I MEAN, NO FELONY HAS BEEN  
3   COMMITTED HERE, IT'S A VIOLATION-- IF THERE'S ANYTHING, IT'S A  
4   VIOLATION OF COUNTY CODE OR-- I'M NOT EVEN SURE WHAT  
5   CONSTITUTES...

6

7   **BRUCE PERELMAN:** WELL, THE RULES...

8

9   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** LET ME FINISH. I'M NOT SURE THIS CONSTITUTES  
10   CAMPAIGNING...

11

12   **RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR.:** THE ELECTION RULES ADOPTED BY YOUR  
13   BOARD, SUPERVISOR...

14

15   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WOULD PRECLUDE THIS.

16

17   **RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR.:** RIGHT. AND THE...

18

19   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO WHAT IS THE PENALTY? WHAT IS THE CRIME?  
20   IT'S NOT A CRIME. IS IT PROSECUTABLE?

21

22   **RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR.:** WELL, SUPPOSE THAT EMPLOYEE  
23   MISCONDUCT CAN RISE TO A LEVEL OF MISUSING COUNTY RESOURCES  
24   THAT COULD RISE TO THE LEVEL OF A CRIME IN A TECHNICAL SENSE,  
25   AT LEAST, BUT THE IMPORTANCE HERE, I THINK WHAT'S BEFORE YOU



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1    TODAY IS THAT EMPLOYEE MISCONDUCT UNDER THE ELECTION RULES IS  
2    NOT A BASIS TO REFUSE TO CERTIFY THE ELECTION TO ORDER A NEW  
3    ELECTION.

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5    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WELL, THAT WAS TO BE MY NEXT QUESTION. EVEN  
6    IF ALL OF THIS IS TRUE...

7

8    **RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR.:** THE EMPLOYEES MAY BE SUBJECT TO  
9    DISCIPLINE FOR VIOLATING COUNTY RULES WITH RESPECT TO WORKING  
10    ON COUNTY TIME.

11

12    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** EVEN IF ALL OF THE ALLEGATIONS ARE TRUE THAT  
13    THIS ONE INDIVIDUAL HAS BROUGHT TO YOU AND MAYBE A SECOND ONE,  
14    WE COULD NEVER CONCLUDE THAT THAT'S THE REASON YOU LOST THE  
15    ELECTION, COULD WE? IT COULD BE, JUST HYPOTHETICALLY, IT COULD  
16    BE THAT, WHEN S.E.I.U. TAKES SOMEBODY AROUND IN THEIR SHOP AND  
17    SAYS, "THIS IS OUR CANDIDATE," THAT 35 OR 40% OF THEM MIGHT  
18    VOTE AGAINST THEM JUST BECAUSE THEY'RE THEIR CANDIDATE, JUST  
19    BECAUSE THEY DON'T LIKE BOSSISM OR WHATEVER YOU WANT TO CALL  
20    IT. IT'S POSSIBLE. YOU DON'T KNOW FOR SURE. WE'D NEVER KNOW  
21    WHETHER YOU DIDN'T GET THE S.E.I.U. VOTES AND YOUR OPPONENT  
22    GOT EVERYBODY ELSE'S VOTE.

23

24    **SPEAKER:** RIGHT.

25



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1   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO THEN WHAT IS THE USEFUL PURPOSE-- WE  
2   COULD OFFER IMMUNITY, WE COULD CERTIFY THE ELECTION AND OFFER  
3   IMMUNITY, IF WE COULD DO THAT, THAT'S ANOTHER ISSUE, BUT IF  
4   SOMEBODY WANTED TO COME FORWARD, I DON'T THINK THEY'RE COMING  
5   FORWARD BECAUSE THEY THINK THEY'RE GOING TO GET YOU ELECTED. I  
6   THINK THEY WANT TO COME FORWARD BECAUSE THEY FEEL THAT THEY'VE  
7   DONE SOMETHING WRONG AND THEY WANT TO-- THEY WANT TO LET THE  
8   POWERS THAT BE...

9

10   **SPEAKER:** THEY WANT TO SET THE RECORD STRAIGHT.

11

12   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ...TO KNOW ABOUT IT SO THEY CAN DO SOMETHING  
13   ABOUT IT, CORRECT?

14

15   **SPEAKER:** RIGHT.

16

17   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO I DON'T THINK THERE'S ANYTHING MUTUALLY  
18   EXCLUSIVE ABOUT CERTIFYING THE ELECTION AND FINDING A WAY TO  
19   HAVE THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER, AND PERHAPS YOU COULD DO THAT,  
20   YOU FIGURE OUT A WAY TO-- I'M JUST THINKING OUT LOUD, TO BE  
21   ABLE TO GET THIS INFORMATION TO SEE, IN FACT, WHETHER THERE  
22   WAS A, YOU KNOW, A MASSIVE CONSPIRACY TO VIOLATE THE COUNTY  
23   RULES AND THE COUNTY CODE IN VIOLATIONS OF WORKPLACE RULES AND  
24   THINGS OF THAT SORT OR WHETHER THIS IS A, YOU KNOW, ONE OR TWO  
25   CASES. IN ANY CASE, I THINK, BECAUSE EVEN IF WE POSTPONE THIS





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1 A WEEK, MR. PERELMAN, AND WE CAME-- AND THESE GUY CAME  
2 FORWARD-- GAL OR WHOEVER IT IS, CAME FORWARD AND SAID, "YEAH,  
3 HERE'S THE 50 PAGE HANDBOOK ON WHAT WE WERE SUPPOSED TO DO," I  
4 STILL COULDN'T NOT CERTIFY THE ELECTION. WHO AM I TO MAKE THE  
5 DETERMINATION THAT YOU SHOULD BE THE ONE, EVEN THOUGH YOU  
6 DIDN'T GET ENOUGH VOTES JUST BECAUSE SOMEBODY CAMPAIGNED?

7

8 **BRUCE PERELMAN:** I CAN ANSWER THAT QUESTION. I'M GLAD YOU  
9 ASKED. THERE'S TWO POINTS. FIRST ONE TO ADDRESS. IT ACTUALLY--  
10 MISCONDUCT BY THE CANDIDATES IS NOT A BASIS TO OVERTURN THE  
11 ELECTION BUT A NEGLECT BY THE COUNTY IN ADMINISTERING THE  
12 ELECTION IS A BASIS AND WHAT WE'RE ALLEGING IS THAT, BY  
13 FAILING TO PREVENT NOT THE CANDIDATES BUT THE COUNTY EMPLOYEES  
14 WHO ARE THE STEWARDS FROM CAMPAIGNING ON COUNTY TIME, THE  
15 COUNTY HAD A DUTY TO PREVENT THAT, DID NOT DO SO, AND THAT IS  
16 OUR BASIS FOR WANTING TO OVERTURN THE ELECTION. AS FAR AS  
17 WHETHER IT NECESSARILY MADE A DIFFERENCE, BECAUSE THE REMEDY  
18 IS NOT CAUSING ME TO BE ELECTED, THE REMEDY CALLED FOR IN THE  
19 RULES IS A NEW ELECTION. YOU COULD NEVER PROVE THAT ANY AMOUNT  
20 OF NEGLECT OR ANY AMOUNT OF ACTIVITIES NECESSARILY CAUSED ONE  
21 PERSON TO GET VOTES VERSUS ANOTHER, AS YOU'VE CORRECTLY  
22 POINTED OUT. THAT'S WHY THAT STANDARD DOESN'T MEAN ANYTHING,  
23 BECAUSE YOU CAN NEVER PROVE WHY SOMEONE NECESSARILY MADE THE  
24 CHOICE THEY MADE. THE ISSUE IS WAS IT SUFFICIENT? COULD IT  
25 HAVE MADE A DIFFERENCE? WAS THE INTEGRITY OF THE PROCESS



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1 VIOLATED TO THE EXTENT THAT YOU DON'T KNOW WHO WAS  
2 LEGITIMATELY ELECTED? DOESN'T NECESSARILY MEAN I WOULD HAVE  
3 WON AND I MAY VERY WELL LOSE IF WE RE-HOLD THE ELECTION BUT  
4 DID THE VIOLATIONS RISE TO A POINT OF VIOLATING THE INTEGRITY  
5 THAT IT MAY HAVE MATTERED? IF IT COULD NOT HAVE, IF THE  
6 VIOLATIONS WERE TOO MINOR, LET'S SAY ONE VIOLATION BY ONE  
7 PERSON, WHICH CLEARLY WOULD NOT HAVE MADE ANY DIFFERENCE,  
8 THEN, AS A MATTER OF LOGIC, IT WAS NOT SUFFICIENT. IF IT COULD  
9 NOT HAVE, IT WAS INSUFFICIENT. BUT IF IT COULD HAVE MADE A  
10 DIFFERENCE, THEN IT WAS SUFFICIENT TO HAVE DONE SO AND IT'S AN  
11 ILLEGITIMATE ELECTION. THAT'S WHAT THE RULES STATE.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I UNDERSTAND. I DON'T KNOW HOW WE WOULD BE  
14 ABLE TO MAKE THE DETERMINATION THAT IT COULD HAVE MADE MADE A  
15 DIFFERENCE. ANYTHING COULD HAVE MADE A DIFFERENCE. I DON'T  
16 KNOW HOW CLOSE THE ELECTION WAS BUT I WILL CONFESS THAT MAYBE  
17 I CAMPAIGNED ON COUNTY TIME BECAUSE I WAS ASKED BY SOME PEOPLE  
18 IN MY OFFICE, "DO YOU KNOW ANY OF THESE CANDIDATES?" AND,  
19 WITHOUT REFERENCE TO WHAT I SAID AND WHO I PANNED AND WHO I  
20 SUPPORTED, I GAVE MY OPINION TO THE PEOPLE WHO ASKED ME. I  
21 DIDN'T ORGANIZE A MEETING, I DIDN'T AGGREGATE PEOPLE AROUND  
22 THERE BUT THAT, TECHNICALLY, ON COUNTY TIME, WOULD HAVE BEEN A  
23 VIOLATION. I ALSO BELIEVE IT'S, YOU KNOW, COMMON SENSE, IT'S  
24 MY RIGHT OF FREE SPEECH, IF SOMEBODY ASKED ME WHO YOU'RE  
25 VOTING FOR AND IF I SAID I'M VOTING FOR PERELMAN, THEY



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1 PROBABLY VOTED FOR SOMEBODY ELSE BECAUSE THEY JUST WANTED TO  
2 KNOW WHO THEY SHOULD VOTE AGAINST BECAUSE OF WHO I WAS  
3 SUPPORTING.

4

5 **BRUCE PERELMAN:** I WOULD CERTAINLY CONCEDE THAT TYPE OF  
6 ACTIVITY DIDN'T MAKE A DIFFERENT. I MEAN, THAT'S ABSOLUTELY  
7 PERMITTED. I'M TALKING ABOUT 120 MEETINGS...

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BUT HOW DO YOU KNOW HOW MANY TIMES I DID  
10 THAT, MR. PERELMAN? WHAT IF I DID IT 30 TIMES?

11

12 **BRUCE PERELMAN:** I MEAN, AT SOME POINT, IT WILL BE A JUDGMENT  
13 CALL BY YOUR BOARD, THAT'S WHEN THE AUDITOR REPORTS YOU. WHAT  
14 IF YOU DID IT TWO HOURS A DAY FOR EIGHT WEEKS VERSUS 30  
15 COMMENTS I DON'T THINK WOULD MAKE A DIFFERENCE. IF YOU, WITH  
16 YOUR POSITION OF AUTHORITY, HELD TWO-HOUR MEETINGS EVERY DAY  
17 FOR SIX WEEKS, I THINK THAT COULD HAVE MADE A DIFFERENCE.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'D BORE THE HELL OUT OF THE PEOPLE IN THE  
20 MEETINGS, I'LL TELL YOU THAT ONE. OKAY. I UNDERSTAND YOUR...

21

22 **BRUCE PERELMAN:** BUT THAT'S THE LEVEL THAT I'M TALKING ABOUT.  
23 I'M TALKING ABOUT MEETINGS GOING ON, NOT ONE OR TWO OR THREE  
24 OR FOUR; I'M TALKING ABOUT DOZENS.

25



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1   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WELL, MR. FORTNER, ON THIS ISSUE, AND THAT'S  
2   THE LAST I'M GOING TO ENGAGE IN THIS, BUT I JUST-- ON THE  
3   ISSUE OF THAT, OF WHETHER THE COUNTY INTERFERED IN THE  
4   INTEGRITY OF THE PROCESS, IF IT ALLOWED THIS TO TAKE PLACE,  
5   WHAT'S YOUR ANSWER TO THAT OR WHAT'S YOUR...?

6

7   **RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR.:** WELL, MADAM CHAIR, SUPERVISOR  
8   YAROSLAVSKY, I THINK THE AUDITOR'S INVESTIGATION FOUND THAT  
9   THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION DID NOT ADMINISTER THE ELECTION IN  
10   AN IMPROPER MANNER. THERE WAS NO EVIDENCE AND REALLY NO  
11   ALLEGATIONS OF THAT KIND OF CONDUCT.

12

13   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IS THAT THE ISSUE, IS WHETHER THE  
14   ADMINISTRATION OF THE ELECTION?

15

16   **RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR.:** THAT'S CORRECT.

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18   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THE COUNTY AUDITOR ALSO FOUND NO EVIDENCE.  
19   THAT DOESN'T MEAN THERE WASN'T ANY, BUT HE FOUND NO EVIDENCE  
20   THAT THERE WAS AN EFFORT TO CAMPAIGN ON...

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22   **RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR.:** I WOULDN'T WANT TO SPEAK FOR THE  
23   AUDITOR...

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1   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WELL, I READ IT LAST NIGHT, SO MY MEMORY IS  
2   PRETTY GOOD FOR 12 HOURS. SO HE FOUND NO EVIDENCE, AND THAT  
3   DOESN'T MEAN THERE WASN'T ANY BUT NONE WAS BROUGHT...

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5   **RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR.:** IT DIDN'T RISE TO THE LEVEL OF ANY...

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7   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** RIGHT. SO, IF SOMEONE CAME FORWARD AND GAVE  
8   THE AUDITOR-- AND GAVE THE AUDITOR A HANDBOOK OR A MEMO OR  
9   EVIDENCE OR PROOF THAT SOMEBODY-- THAT A UNION WORKED FOR TWO  
10   HOURS A DAY EVERY DAY FOR SIX WEEKS TAKING THEIR CANDIDATES  
11   AROUND, WOULD THAT, EVEN IF THAT WERE TRUE, WORST-CASE  
12   SCENARIO, WOULD THAT CONSTITUTE A LACK OF PROPER  
13   ADMINISTRATION OF THE ELECTION?

14

15   **RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR.:** WELL, I THINK, IN PART, THAT WOULD BE  
16   WITHIN YOUR BOARD'S DISCRETION TO DETERMINE BUT I THINK IT  
17   WOULD TAKE A GREATER FACTUAL CONTEXT. THAT, IN AND OF ITSELF,  
18   I WOULDN'T CONCLUDE, INTERFERED WITH THE ADMINISTRATION. IF  
19   THE COUNTY DEPARTMENT HEADS, FOR EXAMPLE, GOT TOGETHER AND  
20   ARRANGED THIS, THEN THAT MIGHT BE AN ADDITIONAL FACTOR THAT  
21   WOULD BRING THE COUNTY INTO THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE ELECTION  
22   IF IN UNION STEWARDS HAVE, AT SOME LEVEL, DONE-- UNDERTAKEN  
23   SOME ACTIVITIES, NOT NECESSARILY WITH THE ASSISTANCE OR EVEN  
24   KNOWLEDGE OF COUNTY DEPARTMENT MANAGERS, I WOULDN'T THINK THAT



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1 THAT WOULD IMPLICATE THE COUNTY IN THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE  
2 ELECTION PROCESS.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MS. BURKE.

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6 **SUP. BURKE:** OH, I'M SORRY. GO AHEAD.

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT IS THE PROBLEM IF THIS IS CONTINUED FOR  
9 ONE WEEK? DOES THIS IMPACT THE ABILITY OF THE BOARD TO MEET OR  
10 IS THE BOARD ABLE TO MEET RIGHT NOW?

11

12 **RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR.:** MADAM CHAIR, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, I  
13 DON'T KNOW WHAT THE TERM IS AND I CANNOT ANSWER THAT QUESTION.  
14 I DON'T KNOW IF WE HAVE AN ANSWER.

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16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WE HAVE AN ANSWER HERE.

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18 **BRUCE PERELMAN:** I RETAIN MY SEAT ON THE BOARD UNTIL DECEMBER  
19 31ST REGARDLESS OF WHAT HAPPENS.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO, REGARDLESS, THE BOARD IS GOING TO  
22 FUNCTION. IF WE WAITED A WEEK, IS THAT GOING TO DELAY TAKING  
23 ACTION NEXT WEEK OR IMPACTING THE ABILITY OF THE BOARD TO  
24 OPERATE BETWEEN NOW UNTIL THEN?

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1    **RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR.:** YEAH, I'M UNAWARE THAT GREAT URGENCY  
2    WAS ATTACHED TO YOUR BOARD ACTING THIS WEEK OR NOT.

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4    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IF THERE'S NO URGENCY AND THEY CAN OPERATE  
5    AND THERE'S AN ABILITY OF SOMEBODY TO COME FORWARD AND GIVE  
6    THEM IMMUNITY, I DON'T SEE WHAT THE PROBLEM IS. IF THERE'S NO  
7    FIRE WITH THE SMOKE, THEN WE CERTIFY IT NEXT TUESDAY.

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9    **RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR.:** I DON'T BELIEVE THAT WOULD CREATE A  
10    LEGAL-- A LEGAL ISSUE.

11

12    **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, WHO WOULD THEY COME FORWARD TO TALK TO? WHO  
13    ARE YOU SUGGESTING THAT THEY TALK TO?

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15    **BRUCE PERELMAN:** THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER'S OFFICE.

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17    **SUP. BURKE:** ALL RIGHT. I WOULD SUGGEST THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER  
18    SET UP A PERSON. I THINK THE MOST IMPORTANT THING HERE,  
19    THOUGH, IS THAT WE HAVE IT VERY CLEAR WHAT IS ALLOWED AND WHAT  
20    IS NOT ALLOWED IN TERMS OF ELECTION ACTIVITY BY THE STEWARDS  
21    AS WE GO FORWARD AND THAT THEY COME UP THAT THE AUDITOR GIVES  
22    THEM VERY SPECIFIC DIRECTIONS THAT CAN BE DISTRIBUTED TO ALL  
23    OF THE MANAGERS, NOT JUST DEPARTMENT HEADS, MANAGERS, AS TO  
24    WHAT IS PROVIDED AND WHAT'S ALLOWED IN TERMS OF THE OPERATION



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1 OF THE COUNTY FUNCTIONS. I HAVE NO PROBLEM WITH IT GOING OVER  
2 FOR ANOTHER WEEK.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT.

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6 **SUP. BURKE:** EVEN THOUGH I THINK IT'S VERY DIFFICULT TO DECLARE  
7 AN ELECTION INVALID. I'VE BEEN THROUGH THIS ON ELECTIONS A LOT  
8 AND IT'S PRETTY TOUGH. YOU HAVE TO REALLY IDENTIFY ALMOST EACH  
9 VOTE AND THEN THAT THAT VOTE WOULD HAVE GONE SOMEWHERE ELSE  
10 AND THAT SOMETHING YOU DID INTERFERED WITH THAT VOTE GOING  
11 THERE. IT'S A VERY DIFFICULT PROCESS IN TERMS OF ELECTIONS  
12 GENERALLY AND I WOULD ASSUME WE FOLLOW THE SAME LAW AS THE  
13 STATE WOULD IN REVIEWING THEM, BUT I-- I HAVE NO OBJECTION TO  
14 IT GOING FOR ANOTHER WEEK.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HOW CAN-- WHO HAS THE AUTHORITY TO GRANT  
17 IMMUNITY? THAT WAS MY NEXT QUESTION. HOW ARE YOU GOING TO TAKE  
18 CARE-- BECAUSE THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER CAN'T DO THAT, CAN HE?

19

20 **RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR.:** MADAM CHAIRMAN, THE REST OF THE  
21 BOARD, NO, I THINK THAT IS TRUE. YOUR BOARD HAS ADOPTED  
22 POLICIES IN THE FORM OF ORDINANCE THAT DEPARTMENT HEADS CANNOT  
23 TAKE RETALIATORY ACTION AGAINST PEOPLE WHO REPORT IMPROPER OF  
24 COUNTY FUNDS, ET CETERA BUT...

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1   **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, I THINK THAT THIS PERSON IS THE FIRST... DID  
2   THE THING WRONG. I MEAN, WE'RE TALKING ABOUT THE PERSON WHO  
3   HAS DONE THE VIOLATION, AND APPARENTLY THEY'RE NOT PURSUING  
4   ANY VIOLATIONS AGAINST ANYONE RIGHT NOW, ARE THEY? BUT THEY  
5   ALL DENY IT. SO THIS IS ONE PERSON WHO'S GOING TO ADMIT HE  
6   VIOLATED.

7

8   **RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR.:** YES, AND I THINK THAT THAT WOULD BE  
9   IN THE HANDS OF THE DEPARTMENT HEAD, THE APPOINTING AUTHORITY  
10  OF THIS INDIVIDUAL, TO DETERMINE WHAT ACTION TO TAKE. ON THE  
11  ONE HAND, YOU CANNOT RETALIATE OR TAKE ACTION AGAINST A PERSON  
12  FOR REPORTING VIOLATION OF COUNTY RULES BUT THAT WILL NOT  
13  INSULATE SOMEONE WHO HAS VIOLATED THE RULES FROM DOING SO. IT  
14  WOULD CREATE MITIGATING FACTORS, PERHAPS, BUT...

15

16  **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, I GUESS THAT'S WHAT THEY'RE ASKING, IS FOR  
17  US TO SAY THAT THE PERSON WHO HAS VIOLATED THE RULES WOULD BE  
18  ABLE TO COME FORWARD WITHOUT-- UNDER SOME PRIVILEGED METHOD,  
19  SOME PRIVILEGED STATUS TO GIVE THE INFORMATION CONFIDENTIALLY  
20  TO THE AUDITOR WITHOUT IT BEING PASSED ON TO ANYONE ELSE. AND  
21  HE WOULD REPORT IT ANONYMOUSLY.

22

23  **RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR.:** THOSE CONVERSATIONS WITH THE AUDITOR  
24  COULD BE CONFIDENTIAL AND THE REPORT COULD COME TO YOU AS A  
25  CONFIDENTIAL BASIS. AND I BELIEVE THAT THAT WOULD RESOLVE THAT



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1 PURPOSE. IT-- REALLY, IT DEPENDS. UNTIL YOU KNOW WHAT IT IS  
2 THAT'S BEING REPORTED AND WHAT THE REPORTING PERSON HAS  
3 HIMSELF OR HERSELF ENGAGED IN, I DON'T THINK YOU'D WANT TO  
4 GRANT ADVANCE IMMUNITY OR THINK ABOUT THAT KIND OF-- GOING  
5 DOWN THAT ROAD UNTIL YOU KNEW WHAT THE FACTS WERE.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, THIS  
8 ITEM IS GOING TO BE CONTINUED FOR ONE MORE WEEK. ALL RIGHT.  
9 MR. YAROSLAVSKY.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT'S ALL I HAVE, MADAM CHAIR.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAM CHAIR...

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17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE.

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19 **SUP. KNABE:** I HAVE A NUMBER OF ADJOURNMENTS BUT I THINK WHAT  
20 I'LL, BEFORE I DO MY ADJOURNMENTS, I'LL CALL UP, THERE'S A  
21 NUMBER OF PEOPLE IN THE AUDIENCE, I BELIEVE, FOR ITEM NUMBER  
22 11. I'LL CALL THAT UP. CALL ITEM 11 UP AND THEN DO MY  
23 ADJOURNMENTS.

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1    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WE HAVE TWO PEOPLE WHO WISH TO  
2    ADDRESS THIS. SAM OLIVITO, CONTRACT CITIES ASSOCIATION, IF  
3    YOU'D JOIN US, PLEASE AND DAVID SPENCE. MR. SPENCE, YOU'RE  
4    STILL A COUNCILMAN, RIGHT?

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6    **DAVID SPENCE:** (OFF-MIKE).

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8    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** RIGHT. PLEASE JOIN US. PLEASE PROCEED.

9

10   **SAM OLIVITO:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE  
11   BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. SAM OLIVITO WITH THE CALIFORNIA CONTRACT  
12   CITIES ASSOCIATION. I'M HERE TO TALK WITH YOU ON ITEM 11 ON  
13   THE AGENDA BUT MY PRESIDENT JUST HAS A LITTLE COMMENT TO MAKE  
14   AND I'D BE HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS AFTER HE MAKES HIS  
15   COMMENT.

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17   **DAVID SPENCE:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND HONORABLE MEMBERS  
18   OF THE BOARD. MY NAME IS DAVID SPENCE. MOST OF YOU KNOW ME AS  
19   THE PRESIDENT OF CONTRACT CITIES ASSOCIATION AND WE REPRESENT  
20   56 CITIES IN THE L.A. COUNTY AND 40 CITIES THAT CONTRACT FOR  
21   THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. I'M ALSO CURRENTLY A MEMBER OF THE  
22   LA CANADA-FLINTRIDGE CITY COUNCIL AND A THREE-TIME MAYOR OF  
23   THAT CITY. THE CALIFORNIA CONTRACT CITIES ASSOCIATION, THE  
24   INDEPENDENT CITIES ASSOCIATION AND THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
25   POLICE CHIEF'S ASSOCIATION ARE HERE TODAY TO ADDRESS THE ITEM



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1 11 ON YOUR AGENDA CONCERNING THE CONTRACT AND THE COUNTYWIDE  
2 LAW ENFORCEMENT SHERIFF'S SERVICES. SINCE MAY OF 2004, OUR  
3 CITIES HAVE WORKED WITH THE C.A.O., THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER AND  
4 THE SHERIFF ON A REVIEW OF THE SHERIFF'S SERVICES UNDER OUR  
5 CONTRACT COUNTYWIDE TO ALL THE RESIDENTS OF THIS COUNTY. OUR  
6 BOARD OF DIRECTORS, ON AUGUST 17TH, VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO NOT  
7 APPROVE THE C.A.O.'S REPORT OF SEPTEMBER 6TH UNLESS THE  
8 INCREASES TO THE CONTRACT CITIES ARE PHASED IN OVER TWO YEARS.  
9 FURTHER, THAT THE FACILITIES RATE BE LEFT AT THE 5% INSTEAD OF  
10 THE 8.8% RECOMMENDED BY THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER AND LASTLY,  
11 THAT PHASE II BE TERMINATED. WE BELIEVE THAT ALL THE RESIDENTS  
12 IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY PAID FOR AND DESERVE THE BEST LAW  
13 ENFORCEMENT SERVICES THAT HAVE BEEN PROVIDED HISTORICALLY  
14 WITHOUT ADDITIONAL COST TO THEM. MR. FRANK VILENE, THE MAYOR  
15 OF MONTEREY PARK, WAS SCHEDULED TO BE HERE. HE'S THE PRESIDENT  
16 OF INDEPENDENT CITIES. HE HAS AUTHORIZED ME TO MAKE THIS  
17 STATEMENT IN HIS BEHALF ALSO AND SO WE THANK YOU FOR LISTENING  
18 TO US. SAM?

19

20 **SAM OLIVITO:** THAT'S-- MADAM CHAIR, I THINK THAT'S JUST WHAT--  
21 WE'VE SENT LETTERS TO ALL OF THE SUPERVISORS IN RELATIONSHIP  
22 TO THE POSITION THAT WAS ADOPTED BY THE CONTRACT CITIES  
23 ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS, AS WELL AS THE INDEPENDENT  
24 CITIES AND THE POLICE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION OF LOS ANGELES





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1 COUNTY. THAT'S BEEN OUR POSITION ALL ALONG AND WE'D LIKE TO  
2 HAVE THAT ACTION TAKEN TODAY.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SUPERVISOR  
5 ANTONOVICH.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RIGHT. THIS IS AN ISSUE THAT THE BOARD HAS  
8 BEEN DISCUSSING FOR A PERIOD OF TIME AND THE C.A.O.'S LETTER  
9 THAT'S BEFORE US TODAY REQUESTS THAT WE APPROVE THAT PHASE I  
10 CHARGING CONTRACT CITIES \$6.7 MILLION OVER A TWO-YEAR FISCAL  
11 YEAR AND POSTPONING PHASE II STUDY. STUDIES ARE ONE OF FISCAL  
12 ACCOUNTABILITY. APART FROM THE FISCAL CONCERNS, THERE'S AN  
13 IMPERATIVE NEED TO MAKE PROGRAM POLICY ASSESSMENTS AND  
14 DECISIONS, SUCH AS BUREAUS WHICH ARE OVER OR UNDER UTILIZED  
15 AND WHERE. PHASE II IS IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF ALL OF THE  
16 STAKEHOLDERS, INCLUDING THE CONTRACT CITIES AND COUNTY'S  
17 UNINCORPORATED AREAS TO ENSURE THAT THEY EACH KNOW WHERE THE  
18 COUNTYWIDE SERVICES ARE UTILIZED. A NUMBER OF MY CITIES AND--  
19 WHO ARE CONTRACT CITIES AND THE TOWN COUNCILS IN MY DISTRICT  
20 HAVE EXPRESSED THEIR NEED TO HAVE A BREAKDOWN OF COUNTYWIDE  
21 SERVICES, FOR EXAMPLE, DETECTIVE BUREAUS OR NARCOTICS BUREAUS,  
22 BECAUSE, WHILE THEIR COMMUNITIES AND CONTRACTS ARE GROWING,  
23 THESE SERVICES HAVE NOT BEEN INCREASING. SO IT'S CLEAR THERE  
24 NEEDS TO BE AN OPEN DIALOGUE AND WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE, IN  
25 A MEETING THAT I HAD WITH THE MEMBERS THAT ARE HERE



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1 REPRESENTING THE CONTRACT CITIES AND SAM YESTERDAY, THAT THERE  
2 IS AN OPEN DIALOGUE OF ALL THE STAKEHOLDERS DURING THE PHASE  
3 II AND THAT WE HAVE A MOTION THAT IS CO-AUTHORED BY SUPERVISOR  
4 MOLINA, WHICH READS, "THE BOARD'S OBLIGATION TO THE COUNTY'S  
5 TAXPAYER TO KNOW HOW THOSE DOLLARS ARE SPENT", AND WE'D MOVE  
6 THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DIRECTS THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER  
7 TO WORK WITH THE CONTRACT CITIES ASSOCIATION. INDEPENDENT  
8 CITIES ASSOCIATION, CITY MANAGERS AND TOWN COUNCILS IN  
9 ADDITION TO THE APPROPRIATE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS THAT WERE PART  
10 OF THE PHASE I STUDY AT THE BEGINNING AND THROUGHOUT THE PHASE  
11 II STUDY, SO WE WOULD HAVE THE INPUT OF THE CITIES, THE CITY  
12 MANAGERS AND THE ASSOCIATIONS WHEN THIS INFORMATION IS  
13 TABULATED.

14  
15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE.

16  
17 **SUP. KNABE:** YEAH, A COUPLE THINGS. ONE, IN THE LETTER FROM THE  
18 VARIOUS ENTITIES, WHETHER BE IT CONTRACT CITIES, INDEPENDENT  
19 CITIES, POLICE CHIEFS, FIRE CHIEFS, THERE WERE A COUPLE ISSUES  
20 RAISED. ONE IN PARTICULAR WAS THE ISSUE OF THE ALLOCATION OF  
21 THE-- THE SQUARE FOOTAGE ALLOCATION'S 8.8% UP FROM 5%, WHICH  
22 IS THE CURRENT RATE. AND IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT, YOU KNOW,  
23 IT CAN SORT OF BE, YOU KNOW, WORKED OUT EITHER WAY. MAYBE  
24 EITHER DAVID, YOU COULD, OR MAYBE TYLER, AS IT RELATES TO THAT  
25 PARTICULAR ISSUE. I HAD AN AMENDMENT TO REJECT THE 8.8 AND



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1 LEAVE IT AT THE CURRENT 5%. IT'S A COST OF ABOUT \$500,000  
2 STILL IMPLEMENTING THE PROGRAM OVER TWO YEARS. SO MAYBE DAVID  
3 OR TYLER, IF YOU COULD...

4

5 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** MIGHT ASK TYLER IF YOU WANT AN EXPLANATION OF  
6 THE DIFFERENCE, BUT THE DIFFERENCE IN COST IS \$506,000 OF THE  
7 6.7 MILLION, BUT TYLER CAN ADDRESS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE  
8 TWO STANDARDS.

9

10 **J. TYLER MCCAULEY:** MADAM CHAIR, SUPERVISOR KNABE, YOU'RE  
11 SUGGESTING THAT IT BE IMPLEMENTED OVER TWO YEARS, THE 5%?

12

13 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** HE WAS ASKING WHY THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE  
14 8.8 AND 5.

15

16 **J. TYLER MCCAULEY:** OH, WHY THE DIFFERENCE WAS? THERE WERE-- WE  
17 ANALYZED, WHEN WE GOT THE SQUARE FOOT, WE ASKED FOR THE SQUARE  
18 FOOTAGE EARLY IN THE STUDY AND WE EVENTUALLY GOT THE SQUARE  
19 FOOTAGE, SO WE WERE ABLE TO DO A MORE PRECISE STUDY OF THE  
20 FACILITY COSTS. WE NOTED, IN THE INFORMATION WE GOT FROM THE  
21 SHERIFF, THAT THERE WERE CLOSED FACILITIES WERE-- INCLUDED  
22 SOME OF THAT SPACE. WE DIDN'T THINK THAT WAS APPROPRIATE. SOME  
23 OF THE JAILS WERE NOT OPEN AND WE DISCUSSED WITH THOSE AT THE  
24 JAIL WHAT PERCENT OF THE COST WOULD HAVE BEEN-- IT WAS ONLY  
25 ABOUT 25% OF THE COST OF THE BUILDING JUST TO KEEP IT



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1 MAINTAINED. PARKING STRUCTURES, WE DID NOT BELIEVE WERE-- THAT  
2 HAD BEEN INCLUDED BUT THEY SHOULD NOT HAVE BEEN INCLUDED, IN  
3 OUR OPINION. THEY OVERESTIMATED THE SQUARE FOOTAGE OF THE  
4 COURT, HOW MUCH SPACE THE SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES ACTUALLY-- WELL,  
5 THEIR PERCENTAGE OF THE COURT SPACE. THEY OMITTED THE COMPTON  
6 STATION SQUARE FOOTAGE AND THE-- TWO STATIONS. WE RECALCULATED  
7 THE SQUARE FOOTAGE AND FOUND THAT WAS A MINOR MISTAKE. AND  
8 THERE WERE CALCULATION ERRORS JUST IN THE SQUARE FOOTAGE. SO,  
9 ADDING ALL THOSE TOGETHER IN A CHART, AND I'D BE HAPPY TO GIVE  
10 YOU THE CHART...

11

12 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, I SAW THE CHART BUT, YOU KNOW, THE ONE ISSUE  
13 WHETHER OR NOT YOU TOOK IT INTO CONSIDERATION, THE REOPENING  
14 OF THE JAIL BEDS.

15

16 **J. TYLER MCCAULEY:** IF THEY WOULD BE REOPENED, THEN THE COST  
17 WOULD BE-- THEY'D BE OPEN AND WE'D HAVE TO CHANGE THE RATE. SO  
18 IF THEY WOULD BE OPEN-- WHEN YOU SAID I CONSIDER THE WAY THEY  
19 WERE TODAY, IF THEY OPENED THEM AND WHEN THEY DO OPEN THEM,  
20 THAT WOULD CHANGE THE ALLOCATION OF THE SPACE.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** AND WOULD THAT REDUCE THE AMOUNT THEN?

23

24 **J. TYLER MCCAULEY:** YES, IT WOULD.

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1   **SUP. KNABE:** I MEAN, THE BOARD'S ALREADY ALLOCATED THE MONEY. I  
2   MEAN, THAT'S, I THINK THAT'S THE ISSUE HERE. I MEAN, THE BOARD  
3   HAS REALLOCATED THE MONEY TO REOPEN THE JAIL BEDS, AND SO, AS  
4   IT RELATES TO THE PERCENTAGE, SHOULDN'T THAT BE INCLUDED?

5

6   **J. TYLER MCCAULEY:** IT WAS THE TIMING WAS NOT-- WE DID NOT  
7   BELIEVE IT WOULD HAPPEN WITHIN THE YEAR, SO THAT'S THE REASON  
8   WE TOOK IT OUT. IF IT HAPPENS, THE RATE WOULD BE ALTERED.

9

10   **SUP. KNABE:** WELL-- DAVID?

11

12   **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WELL, WE HAVE FUNDED THE REOPENING OF THE  
13   JAILS. THEY ARE GOING TO REOPEN. SO IF THE REOPENING OF THE  
14   JAILS WE'RE TALKING ABOUT IS THE DIFFERENCE HERE, THEN I WOULD  
15   HAVE TO AGREE THAT THE 5% IS MORE APPROPRIATE BECAUSE WE ARE  
16   GOING TO BE REOPENING THE JAILS. I'M NOT SURE HOW MANY JAILS  
17   YOU'RE-- YOU KNOW, WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT IN TERMS OF  
18   REOPENING JAILS.

19

20   **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, IT'S A CONSIDERABLE SQUARE FOOTAGE.

21

22   **J. TYLER MCCAULEY:** YES, SIR. BUT-- GO AHEAD, MIKE

23

24   **MIKE PERELO:** MIKE PERELO FROM THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER'S OFFICE.  
25   I THINK THE COST WOULD ALSO GO UP AS WELL. IF WE WERE TO OPEN



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1 THE JAILS, FACILITIES COST WOULD ALSO INCREASE AND THAT WOULD  
2 HAVE TO BE FACTORED INTO THE EQUATION, ALSO. I THINK ONE WAY  
3 TO GO MIGHT BE TO INCLUDE THE SQUARE FOOTAGE FOR THE JAILS. WE  
4 TOOK OUT 75% FOR THE CLOSED FACILITIES, WE COULD ADD THAT  
5 SQUARE FOOTAGE BACK IN, IT MIGHT BE A WAY TO HANDLE THAT  
6 ISSUE.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** RIGHT. THAT'S WHAT I WAS-- BUT THEN THAT WOULD  
9 REFLECT, THEN, THE DIFFERENCE IN 6.7 MILLION VERSUS 6.2  
10 MILLION. IS THAT WHAT I'M UNDERSTANDING?

11

12 **MIKE PERELO:** THAT'S PART OF THE DIFFERENCE. THAT WOULDN'T TAKE  
13 CARE OF THE OTHER ISSUES WE HAVE HERE, SUCH AS THE COURT  
14 FACILITIES AND THE OMITTED FACILITIES AND...

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT YOU'VE ALREADY FIGURED THAT INTO THE COST.  
17 THAT'S WHAT YOU SAID. I MEAN, THAT'S WHAT TYLER SAID, THAT  
18 THEY FIGURED THE COURT SITUATION INTO THE COSTS ALREADY.

19

20 **J. TYLER MCCAULEY:** INTO THE 8.8%.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** RIGHT.

23

24 **J. TYLER MCCAULEY:** IF ALL OF THE COURTS-- EXCUSE ME, IF ALL OF  
25 THE JAILS WERE GOING TO BE FILLED UP OR OPENED, ALL THE SPACE





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1 UTILIZED THIS YEAR, THEN THAT SQUARE FOOTAGE AND THE COST THAT  
2 GOES WITH IT.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, HOW DO WE DO SUBJECT TO, THEN? I MEAN, THAT-  
5 - I MEAN, THIS IS, TO ME, SOMEWHAT FLAWED. I MEAN, IT'S NOT  
6 LIKE WE'RE NOT GOING TO DO IT. THE BOARD HAS ALLOCATED THE  
7 MONEY. THAT'S WHAT I DON'T UNDERSTAND. WE'VE ALLOCATED THE  
8 MONEY TO REOPEN THE JAIL BEDS.

9

10 **J. TYLER MCCAULEY:** I UNDERSTOOD THAT TO BE GRADUALLY AS THEY  
11 WERE ABLE TO RECRUIT DEPUTIES, SUPERVISOR.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE:** HOW DO I-- HOW DO WE FIX THIS PROBLEM?

14

15 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WELL, MADAM CHAIR, SUPERVISOR, I MEAN, THE  
16 AUDITOR IS TECHNICALLY CORRECT. WHEN THEY LOOKED AT IT, THE  
17 JAILS WEREN'T OPEN. WE'RE NOT-- WE'RE NOT GOING TO BE  
18 ASSESSING THE CHARGE UNTIL '07-- '06/'07, '07/'08. FRANKLY, I  
19 THINK THE EASIEST THING TO DO IS JUST TO MAKE THE ADJUSTMENT  
20 RIGHT NOW. I MEAN, THE AUDITOR'S RECOMMENDATION IS A  
21 RECOMMENDATION. YOU'RE FREE TO CHOOSE ANYTHING YOU WANT,  
22 FRANKLY, BUT WE HAVE FUNDED THE OPENING OF THE JAILS, THEY ARE  
23 GOING TO REOPEN. IF THAT ACCOUNTS FOR THE DIFFERENCE OF  
24 506,000, THEN YOU MIGHT AS WELL MAKE THE ADJUSTMENT NOW.

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1   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHOA, WHOA, WHOA, WHOA. JUST BECAUSE WE  
2   APPROPRIATED MONEY IN A BUDGET DOESN'T MEAN IT'S GOING TO BE  
3   SPENT ON THIS. I DON'T KNOW HOW WE CAN ASK...

4

5   **SUP. KNABE:** WHAT DO YOU MEAN? IT'S NOT GOING TO BE SPENT ON  
6   JAIL BEDS?

7

8   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IT ALL DEPENDS ON WHETHER HE CAN RECRUIT  
9   ENOUGH PEOPLE TO IMPLEMENT WHAT IT IS WE FUNDED FOR HIM. AND  
10   THAT'S BEEN THE PROBLEM ALL ALONG, IN A LOT OF DEPARTMENTS.  
11   WE'VE FUNDED DEPARTMENTS UP THE KAZOO IN THIS BUDGET THAT ARE  
12   NOT GOING TO SPEND IT ALL. ALL I'M SAYING IS THAT THE AUDITOR-  
13   CONTROLLER, WHEN HE MADE THIS REPORT, HAD TO ASSESS IT BASED  
14   ON THE ACTUAL COSTS THAT WERE AVAILABLE TO HIM AT THE TIME AND  
15   ARE AVAILABLE TO HIM AT THIS TIME AND IS THAT WHAT YOU DID?

16

17   **J. TYLER MCCAULEY:** YES.

18

19   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND I THINK WE'VE GOT TO GO WITH THAT, AND  
20   THEN IF IT CHANGES, IF IT FUNDAMENTALLY CHANGES, IT CAN BE  
21   REVISITED AT THAT TIME BUT LET'S WAIT UNTIL IT CHANGES  
22   FUNDAMENTALLY BEFORE WE MAKE ASSUMPTIONS, BECAUSE WE COULD  
23   MAKE ASSUMPTIONS ARE NOT IN EVIDENCE, THEY NEVER COME TO PASS  
24   UNTIL '09/'10, AND THEN WE'RE SHORTCHANGING OURSELVES. THAT'S



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1 ALL I'M SAYING. I AGREE WITH WHAT YOU'RE GETTING AT. I JUST  
2 DON'T KNOW THAT WE'RE IN A POSITION TO DECLARE THAT YET.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, MAYBE WE COULD FRAME IT AND SUCH. I HAD A  
5 MOTION TO, YOU KNOW, GO BACK TO THE ORIGINAL 5% FROM THE 8.8  
6 THAT'S BEING RECOMMENDED BUT THE FACT IS THAT, THE OUT YEARS,  
7 MAYBE I COULD ADD ONTO THAT, YOU KNOW, SUBJECT TO THE AUDITOR-  
8 CONTROLLER'S REVIEW OF THE SQUARE FOOTAGE AND THE SPREADING OF  
9 COSTS. I MEAN, SO THAT YOU'RE NOT-- YOU'RE NOT-- THE WAY THIS  
10 THING READS RIGHT NOW, YOU'RE STUCK WITH THE 8.8 WHEN, IN  
11 FACT, IT MAY NOT BE THAT, AND SO ALL I'M SAYING IS THAT WE  
12 WOULD CHANGE-- I MEAN, WITH THE AUDITOR'S RECOMMENDATION TO  
13 INCREASE FACILITIES COST TO 8.8% BE REJECTED AND FACILITIES  
14 COSTS BE LEFT AT THE CURRENT 5% AND THEN ADD: SUBJECT TO THE  
15 AUDITOR-CONTROLLER'S REVIEW ON THE REOPENING OF JAIL BEDS.

16

17 **SUP. BURKE:** AND RETURNING BACK TO THE BOARD.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE:** AND RETURNING BACK TO THE BOARD.

20

21 **SUP. BURKE:** I'M GOING TO AGREE WITH THAT.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT DO YOU MEAN RETURNING BACK TO THE  
24 BOARD?

25



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1    **SUP. BURKE:** COMING BACK TO THE BOARD...

2

3    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I MEAN, IF THIS WHOLE THING DOESN'T GET  
4    IMPLEMENTED UNTIL IT COMES BACK TO THE BOARD...

5

6    **SUP. KNABE:** NO, NO, NO. NO.

7

8    **SUP. BURKE:** NO, THE INCREASE BACK TO THE 8.8%.

9

10    **SUP. KNABE:** ABOUT WHETHER IT'S 6.7 MILLION OR 6.2 OR SOME  
11    POINT IN BETWEEN.

12

13    **SUP. BURKE:** IT WOULD GO-- IT WOULD BE AT THE FIVE...

14

15    **SUP. KNABE:** IT WOULD BE IMPLEMENTED.

16

17    **SUP. BURKE:** ...AT SOME POINT AS WHICH IT APPEARS TO BE MORE  
18    THAN THAT, THE AUDITOR COULD COME BACK TO THE BOARDS AND WE  
19    WOULD THEN RECONSIDER IT.

20

21    **SUP. KNABE:** BECAUSE IT'S NOT BEING ASSESSED UNTIL '06/'07,  
22    ANYWAY.

23

24    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO IT WOULD BE THE AUDITOR'S INITIATIVE?

25



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1   **J. TYLER MCCAULEY:** EACH YEAR-- SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, EACH  
2   YEAR, WE LOOKED AT THE COSTS OF THAT YEAR, AS BEST WE CAN  
3   DETERMINE, AND SO I THINK THAT WE COULD DO AS YOU SUGGESTED,  
4   AT THIS POINT, 8.8 REPRESENTS TODAY. WHEN IT CHANGES, IT CAN  
5   BE CHANGED AT THAT TIME OR IT CAN BE CHANGED NEXT YEAR, SO WE  
6   WOULD BRING THE NUMBERS BACK TO YOU WHEN IT CHANGED.

7

8   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** GREAT. AND THAT WOULDN'T JUST BE LIMITED TO  
9   THIS BUT IT WOULD BE LIMITED TO ANY OTHER COST THAT MAY  
10  CHANGE, CORRECT? IN OUR FAVOR OR IN THEIR FAVOR.

11

12  **J. TYLER MCCAULEY:** ABSOLUTELY, WHETHER IT BE WAGES OR WHATEVER  
13  COSTS.

14

15  **SUP. KNABE:** I'LL MAKE THAT AMENDMENT THEN, MADAM CHAIR.

16

17  **SUP. BURKE:** I'LL SECOND IT.

18

19  **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** BUT LET'S UNDERSTAND CLEARLY THAT  
20  EVERYTHING STAYS AS IS NOW. IT ONLY SAYS THAT, SHOULD THOSE  
21  CHANGES OCCUR, THAT THEY WOULD BE IMPLEMENTED AT THAT TIME. I  
22  WANT IT TO BE UNDERSTOOD.

23

24  **SUP. KNABE:** RIGHT. I MEAN, THE CLARIFYING ISSUE-- AND I  
25  UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU'RE SAYING IS THAT-- THE REALITY IS WE DID



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1 AUTHORIZE THE DOLLARS FOR THE JAIL BED BUT I UNDERSTAND WHAT  
2 YOU'RE SAYING.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. BUT JUST SO WE'RE CLEAR AS TO  
5 WHAT IT IS THAT WE'RE MOVING FORWARD. ANY OTHER QUESTION OR  
6 COMMENT? WE HAVE IT AS AMENDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND  
7 MYSELF. IS THERE ANY OBJECTION? IF NOT, SO ORDERED. THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU. AND AS AMENDED BY ME AS WELL, TOO,  
10 RIGHT? THAT WAS PART OF THE MOTION, AS AMENDED BY YOU AND MIKE  
11 AS WELL AS ME.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. BUT, AGAIN, SO THAT WE  
14 UNDERSTAND, THERE'S NO CHANGE IN THE AMOUNT. IT IS ONLY THE...

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** YOU JUST LEFT MY AMENDMENT OUT, THAT'S ALL.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. I HOPE WE UNDERSTOOD THAT. DID  
19 YOU UNDERSTAND THAT CLEARLY, VIOLET? NO? COULD WE WRITE THAT  
20 UP, BECAUSE I DON'T THINK ANY ONE OF US UNDERSTOOD WHAT YOU  
21 MEANT.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I THINK YOU SHOULD WRITE IT UP OR HAVE YOUR  
24 STAFF WRITE IT UP, MAKE SURE THAT...

25





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1    **SUP. KNABE:** EXCUSE ME. IT'S MY AMENDMENT.

2

3    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OH, IT'S YOUR AMENDMENT. I'M SORRY. I  
4    THOUGHT SHE WAS TALKING ABOUT HER AMENDMENT. SORRY. I STILL  
5    THINK YOU SHOULD WRITE UP HIS AMENDMENT.

6

7    **SUP. KNABE:** THAT'S WHAT I'M WORRIED ABOUT.

8

9    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** IF I'M CLEAR, WHAT IT WAS, WAS, IS THAT WE  
10    ARE GOING TO LEAVE IT AS IS, AND THEN THE SECOND PHASE IS  
11    DEALING WITH WHAT SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH HAS PUT FORTH BUT AS A  
12    CLARIFICATION, SHOULD THAT FIGURE CHANGE BEFORE THE ASSESSMENT  
13    IS LEVIED, WHETHER IT IS UP OR DOWN IN DIFFERENT AREAS, THAT  
14    ADJUSTMENT WILL BE MADE. IS THAT CORRECT?

15

16    **SUP. KNABE:** AS IT RELATES TO THE-- YEAH, AS IT RELATES TO THE  
17    SQUARE FOOTAGE ISSUE.

18

19    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO. NO, NO.

20

21    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** NO, THAT'S NOT WHAT SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY  
22    SAID.

23

24    **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, I UNDERSTAND. THAT'S NOT-- MY MOTION WAS A  
25    SQUARE FOOTAGE ISSUE.



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1

2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. WELL, THEN...

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** BECAUSE THAT WAS A PERCENTAGE AND I WOULD WANT TO  
5 ADD...

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND I WOULD MOVE WE RECONSIDER THE ITEM SO  
8 THAT WE CAN THIS THING STRAIGHT.

9

10 **SUP. BURKE:** LET'S VOTE ON IT THAT...

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WELL, WAIT.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I MOVE WE RECONSIDER IT SO WE CAN DISCUSS  
15 IT. I WANT TO MAKE AN AMENDMENT MYSELF.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WE WILL RECONSIDER THE ITEM.  
18 MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR  
19 ANTONOVICH. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, IT'S RECONSIDERED.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** TYLER, COME ON UP HERE.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** CAN I JUST MAKE A CLARIFICATION?

24 SUPERVISOR KNABE, WHAT SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY ADDED TO IT WAS



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1 JUST SAYING THAT, SHOULD THERE BE A CHANGE IN ANY OTHER OF THE  
2 ITEMS...

3

4 **SUP. BURKE:** INCLUDING WAGES.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** RIGHT. IT COULD MOVE THIS ASSESSMENT TO A  
7 WHOLE DIFFERENT LEVEL. THAT'S ALL HE ADDED TO WHAT YOU DID. SO  
8 SHOULD THE JAILS ALL BE OPENED AND OCCUPIED AT THAT TIME, IT  
9 WOULD CHANGE THE ASSESSMENT. SHOULD THERE BE SOME OTHER KIND  
10 OF ISSUE THAT WOULD RAISE THIS FORMULA OF THE ITEMS THAT ARE  
11 REVIEWED, THEN IT MIGHT CHANGE IT AS WELL. THAT WAS THE ONLY  
12 THING THAT I THINK SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY CLARIFIED.

13

14 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, SEE, BUT IT GET COMPLEX WHEN YOU GET INTO  
15 WAGES.

16

17 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WELL, BUT THIS WOULDN'T APPLY TO WAGES. PHASE  
18 I...

19

20 **SUP. BURKE:** IT WAS SUPPOSED TO BE FACILITIES BUT I THINK HIS  
21 STATEMENT WAS THE WAGES, RIGHT?

22

23 **SUP. KNABE:** I'M JUST DEALING WITH PHASE 1.

24

25 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** NO, NO, NO. NO. IT WAS.



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1

2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL I WAS SAYING WAS THAT, IF WE'RE GOING TO  
3 LOOK AT THIS-- IF THESE COSTS ARE GOING TO CHANGE, LET'S LOOK  
4 AT ALL THE OTHER COSTS THAT ARE APPLICABLE...

5

6 **SUP. BURKE:** AS FACILITIES OR AS...

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MS. BURKE, TO THE FORMULA THAT WAS USED.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT CONTRIBUTE TO THIS-- EXACTLY.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** TO THE FORMULA THAT WAS USED.

13

14 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** 14 ITEMS IN PHASE I.

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THAT'S RIGHT.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** EXACTLY.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THOSE ITEMS ONLY.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, EXCEPT, MADAM CHAIR, THIS IS A SEPARATE  
23 ISSUE. HE LOOKS AT EVERYTHING ON AN ONGOING BASIS AS IT  
24 RELATES TO WAGES. THIS IS RELATED TO PHASE I. THIS IS RELATED  
25 TO THE SQUARE FOOTAGE AND ALL I'M SAYING IS IT'S SUBJECT TO



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1 THE REOPENING OF JAIL BEDS. THAT'S TO QUALIFY WHAT MR.  
2 YAROSLAVSKY'S CONCERN WAS, BECAUSE THAT WOULD HAVE-- HE HAS  
3 SAID IT WOULD HAVE CHANGED. THIS IS A FACILITIES ISSUE. THIS  
4 IS NOT THE ANNUAL REVIEW THAT HE DOES AS IT RELATES TO WAGES  
5 AND EVERYTHING ELSE.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I UNDERSTAND. DON, DON, WE JUST SUGGESTED  
8 THERE WERE 14 ITEMS UNDER FACILITIES. AND WE'RE SAYING THAT  
9 ANY OF THOSE ITEMS, SHOULD THEY CHANGE, THAT'S THE ONLY  
10 CLARIFICATION...

11

12 **SUP. BURKE:** BUT ONLY ON THE FACILITIES, RIGHT?

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** BUT ONLY ON THOSE ITEMS THAT...

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** ON THE FACILITIES.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YES, SIR.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO, ON THE 14 ITEMS THAT ARE ALL PART OF THE  
21 CALCULATION THAT GOT THEM THE 5, 6.7, OR WHATEVER IT IS.

22

23 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** RIGHT. IF YOU LOOK ON-- ATTACHMENT 2 LISTS THE  
24 14 AREAS THAT WERE REVIEWED AS PART OF PHASE I. ADMINISTRATIVE  
25 SERVICES DIVISION, DATA SYSTEMS, FIELD OPERATION REGIONS,



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1 FACILITY SERVICES, INTERNAL AFFAIRS, OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF,  
2 OFFICE AND THE SHERIFF. WHAT SUPERVISOR KNABE WAS SAYING, IF I  
3 UNDERSTAND THIS, IS HE ONLY WANTS TO ADJUST THE FACILITY.

4

5 **SUP. BURKE:** RIGHT.

6

7 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY IS SAYING YOU SHOULD  
8 LOOK AT ALL 14, NOT JUST FACILITY, ADJUST UP AND DOWN BEFORE  
9 THE ASSESSMENT IS MADE. THAT'S THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE TWO.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CAN I JUST ASK A QUESTION? TYLER, DON'T YOU  
12 MAKE AN ANNUAL REPORT TO THE BOARD ON THESE COSTS?

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** EXACTLY. THAT'S A SEPARATE ISSUE.

15

16 **J. TYLER MCCAULEY:** YES, WE DO.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHEN DO YOU MAKE THAT REPORT, GENERALLY?

19

20 **J. TYLER MCCAULEY:** IT'S ABOUT APRIL EACH YEAR.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND WHEN DO THESE CHARGES START? JULY 1?

23

24 **J. TYLER MCCAULEY:** YES, THAT'S TRUE.

25





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1   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO IT WOULD BE IN-- SO YOU WOULD MAKE A  
2   REPORT TO USE ANNUALLY AND THE ANNUAL REPORT IN APRIL WOULD BE  
3   ENOUGH TIME TO IMPLEMENT A CHARGE IN JULY, CORRECT?

4

5   **J. TYLER MCCAULEY:** THAT'S CORRECT.

6

7   **SUP. KNABE:** AND THAT'S THE 14 ISSUE-- THAT'S THE 14 ITEMS.

8

9   **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** IT'S MORE THAN 14.

10

11   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I KNOW BUT-- I UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU'RE  
12   SAYING. I DON'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THAT. I JUST-- I DON'T  
13   WANT IT LIMITED TO THAT. I'M JUST SPEAKING FOR MYSELF. I DON'T  
14   WANT THE IMPRESSION CREATED HERE THAT THERE'S ONLY-- YOU KNOW,  
15   THAT WE HAVE ALL THE DOWNSIDE RISK AND THAT THERE'S NO-- YOU  
16   KNOW, THERE'S NO DOWNSIDE RISK ANYWHERE ELSE. THIS THING HAS  
17   BEEN NEGOTIATED DOWN SO FAR NOW, IT'S EMBARRASSING AND I'VE  
18   SAID THIS TO MANY OF MY CITIES WHO MET WITH ME RECENTLY, THAT  
19   IT'S EMBARRASSING THAT, WHEN THIS THING STARTED OUT, WE WERE  
20   TALKING A COUPLE HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS, WE'RE DOWN TO, WHAT  
21   IS IT, \$6.7 MILLION? AND WE'RE STILL SQUABBLING ABOUT IT. LET  
22   ME TELL YOU SOMETHING. I MEAN, I-- THIS-- THIS IS A GOOD DEAL  
23   FOR THE CITIES AND THIS IS A GOOD TIME FOR THIS GOOD DEAL FOR  
24   THE CITIES. THEY CAN HANDLE IT AT THIS PARTICULAR TIME. WE  
25   HAD-- THIS ALL STARTED AT A DIFFERENT TIME WHEN WE WERE ALL



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1 HURTING. THIS SETS UP A PROCESS THAT I THINK IS FAIR TO-- MORE  
2 THAN FAIR TO THE CITIES, FAR MORE THAN FAIR TO THE CITIES BUT,  
3 IF WE'RE GOING TO ARGUE ABOUT 6.7 MILLION AFTER WE'VE GONE  
4 DOWN FROM 200 MILLION, THEN MAYBE WE OUGHT TO GO BACK TO MAYBE  
5 PHASE II OUGHT TO BE PHASE I. THIS IS RIDICULOUS. SO IF YOU  
6 WANT TO TALK ABOUT THE JAIL, IT'S A LEGITIMATE ISSUE, NO  
7 QUESTION, DON, I AGREE WITH YOU.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** ABSOLUTELY IT'S A LEGITIMATE ISSUE.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BUT SO IS ANY OTHER CHANGE IN COSTS OF THOSE  
12 OTHER...

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT THAT'S DONE ON AN ANNUAL BASIS. THE ISSUE HERE  
15 IS HOW YOU COMPUTED IT. IT'S NOT SQUABBLING.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BUT THE JAILS WILL BE CONSIDERED ON AN  
18 ANNUAL BASIS AS PART OF THE FACILITIES, TOO. WE DON'T NEED A  
19 MOTION TO DO THAT. HE WOULD HAVE DONE THAT ANYWAY, WOULD YOU  
20 NOT HAVE?

21

22 **J. TYLER MCCAULEY:** THAT'S CORRECT.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO IF YOU'RE GOING TO DO A MOTION ON THAT, I  
25 WANT TO DO A MOTION ON EVERYTHING ELSE. IF YOU ACCEPT THAT



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1 HE'LL TAKE INTO ACCOUNT WHAT THE CHANGES IN THE COSTS ARE, IF  
2 THE JAILS OPEN UP AND HOW MUCH OF THEM OPEN UP, IF YOU TRUST  
3 HIM TO DO THAT, THEN WE DON'T NEED ANY MOTIONS. BUT IF YOU'RE  
4 GOING TO HAVE ONE, THEN I WANT TO MAKE SURE WE SEND HIM THE  
5 MESSAGE WE WANT TO LOOK AT ALL 14. AND I DON'T THINK IT'S A  
6 PROBLEM FOR WHAT YOU WANT TO GET AT. I THINK THE ODDS ARE,  
7 SUPERVISOR KNABE, THAT THE ISSUE YOU'VE RAISED IS THE ONE  
8 WHERE THERE'S THE MOST POTENTIAL FOR CHANGE, BECAUSE THERE IS  
9 A POTENTIAL FOR SIGNIFICANT EXPANSION OF JAIL FACILITIES IN  
10 LIGHT OF THE APPROPRIATIONS WE'VE MADE.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE:** IT'S NOT SO MUCH A SIGNIFICANT CHANGE AS IT WAS  
13 THE WAY WE GOT TO THE NUMBERS WHERE WE GOT AS IT RELATED TO  
14 SQUARE FOOTAGE AND THAT WAS JUST STRICTLY A FACILITIES ISSUE.  
15 THE OTHER 14 ITEMS PLUS ARE REVIEWED ON AN ANNUAL BASIS BY  
16 TYLER, SO I WAS JUST TRYING TO...

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BUT THIS WOULD HAVE BEEN REVIEWED, TOO.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THERE WERE FACILITIES THAT WERE LEFT OUT, SO  
21 YOU DIDN'T REALLY HAVE A FAIR ASSESSMENT.

22

23 **J. TYLER MCCAULEY:** YEAH. IT WAS-- WE DIDN'T HAVE THE RIGHT  
24 NUMBERS UNTIL THE END, IS THE PROBLEM ON THAT ONE. AND THERE  
25 ARE AREAS NOW THAT WE LOOKED AT IN PHASE I THAT WE LOOKED AT



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1 FOREVER, AS WE LOOK AT EVERYTHING. SOME OF THE AREAS THAT WE  
2 LOOKED AT HAD NOT BEEN IDENTIFIED AS BEING ACCESSIBLE TO ANY  
3 CONTRACT CITIES, ANYBODY ELSE, SO WE LOOKED AT-- GOT A MORE  
4 PRECISE PICTURE OF WHAT THE COSTS WERE FOR THE CONTRACT  
5 CITIES. THEY COULD GO UP OR DOWN IN THE FUTURE, ANY OF THOSE  
6 COSTS.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** EXACTLY.

9

10 **J. TYLER MCCAULEY:** IT'S NOT JUST SALARY BUT IT COULD BE  
11 REORGANIZATION, SOMETIMES THEY REORGANIZE AND IT CHANGES THE  
12 COSTS AND THAT'S WHY EVERY SPRING WE DO THAT STUDY.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SO THEN ARE WE CLEAR NOW,  
15 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY? I MEAN SUPERVISOR KNABE?

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, I HAVE A MOTION, SUBJECT TO REOPENING JAIL  
18 BEDS AND WHAT HAS BEEN ADDED TO THAT.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL OF THE OTHER ITEMS THAT WOULD BE  
21 EVALUATED...

22

23 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THE OTHER 13 AREAS THAT ARE INCLUDED IN PHASE  
24 I.

25



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1   **SUP. BURKE:** CAN WE VOTE ON EACH ONE OF THOSE SEPARATELY? CAN  
2   WE VOTE ON THE TWO SEPARATELY? LET'S JUST TAKE UP THE  
3   FACILITIES ISSUE FIRST AND VOTE THAT UP OR DOWN AND THEN WE  
4   CAN LOOK AT THE VOTE IN TERMS...

5

6   **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY. I WOULD MAKE-- THEN, AS A SEPARATE ITEM,  
7   MOVE MY AMENDMENT AND MOVE MY AMENDMENT SUBJECT TO THE  
8   REOPENING OF JAIL BEDS ONLY.

9

10   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT.

11

12   **SUP. BURKE:** I'LL SECOND THAT.

13

14   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SECONDED BY MS. BURKE. IS THERE ANY  
15   OBJECTION? IF NOT...

16

17   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT WE'RE GOING TO TAKE UP ALL OF THEM.

18

19   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** RIGHT. IF NOT, SO ORDERED. SUPERVISOR  
20   YAROSLAVSKY?

21

22   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I WOULD MOVE THAT WE ASK THE AUDITOR-  
23   CONTROLLER TO REPORT IN APRIL, WHEN HIS ANNUAL REPORT ON ANY  
24   CHANGES IN THE COSTS OF ALL 14...

25



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1    **J. TYLER MCCAULEY:** PLUS ALL THE OTHER ITEMS.

2

3    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL THE OTHER ITEMS.

4

5    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR  
6    ANTONOVICH. ANY QUESTION OR COMMENT? ANY OBJECTION? IF NOT, SO  
7    ORDERED. ALL RIGHT.

8

9    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THEN OUR MOTION.

10

11    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** AND THEN WE HAVE THE MOTION THAT  
12    SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND I PUT TOGETHER. ANY OBJECTION ON  
13    THAT? IF NOT, SO ORDERED. NOW, ON THE ITEM, WHICH I THINK IS  
14    INCLUSIVE OF ALL OF THAT, IS THERE ANY OBJECTION ON THIS ITEM?  
15    IF NOT, SO ORDERED. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. APPRECIATE IT. ALL  
16    RIGHT. THAT WAS ITEM NUMBER 11.

17

18    **SUP. KNABE:** I STILL HAVE MY ADJOURNMENTS, MADAM CHAIR, SORRY.

19

20    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** PLEASE.

21

22    **SUP. KNABE:** I WOULD MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF  
23    CAROL DORFMEYER, WHO PASSED ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH. SHE WAS  
24    A LONG-TIME FORMER CITY CLERK IN THE CITY OF HAWAIIAN GARDENS.  
25    CAROL WAS ALWAYS A BRIGHT SPOT IN THE HAWAIIAN GARDENS FAMILY





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1 AND WILL BE SORELY MISSED BY HER FAMILY AND FRIENDS. SHE IS  
2 SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, BOB. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY  
3 OF MICHAEL TRACY, A LONG BEACH POLICE OFFICER FOR 30 YEARS WHO  
4 DIED LAST FRIDAY AFTER COMPLICATIONS OF MELANOMA AT THE AGE OF  
5 63. GRADUATE OF MILICAN HIGH SCHOOL, BECAME VERY ACTIVE IN THE  
6 POLICE DEPARTMENT AND WAS THE P.O.A. PRESIDENT FOR A COMBINED  
7 TOTAL OF WILL 12 YEARS. HE WORKED VERY HARD FOR BETTER PAY AND  
8 WORKING CONDITIONS FOR POLICE OFFICERS, SPENT A LOT OF TIME  
9 LOBBYING STATE AND LOCAL OFFICIALS ON THE BILL OF RIGHTS. HE  
10 AND HIS WIFE OF 29 YEARS, SUSIE, LIVED PART-TIME IN A BEACH  
11 HOUSE AND MOVED FROM PLACE TO PLACE. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS  
12 WIFE, SUSIE, CHILDREN, RICHARD AND KATIE AND A SISTER,  
13 BRIDGET, AND A GRANDSON. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF TED  
14 BOWMAN, WHO FOUNDED THE SLIP SEAL COMPANY, A HOUSEWARE  
15 MANUFACTURING BUSINESS. HE WAS BORN BACK IN THE MIDWEST  
16 ACTUALLY, IN A TOWN CLOSE TO WHERE I GREW UP, MOLINE,  
17 ILLINOIS. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, CLEO, NEPHEW, JOHN,  
18 NIECE, SUSAN, AND HIS SISTER-IN-LAW, LUCILLE. ALSO THAT WE  
19 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DR. JERRY FLINT, A RESIDENT OF LONG  
20 BEACH. HE AND HIS WIFE, VILDA, HAD BEEN MARRIED FOR OVER 50  
21 YEARS. A DEVOTED MEMBER OF THE MORMON CHURCH. HE WAS ONE OF  
22 THE FOUNDING PHYSICIANS OF THE PSYCHIATRIC DEPARTMENT FOR LONG  
23 BEACH MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, ACTING AS THE CHAIRMAN OF THAT IN THE  
24 1960S AS WELL AS THE '90S. HE REMAINED AN ACTIVE STAFF MEMBER  
25 FOR 45 YEARS AT MEMORIAL. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, POOH, HIS



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1 DAUGHTERS, JANICE AND MARILYN, AND GRANDDAUGHTERS, CATHERINE,  
2 JENNIFER, ELIZABETH AND CAROLINE. GREAT GUY. ALSO THAT WE  
3 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ALESSANDRO MERCURIO, WHO WAS KNOWN AS  
4 "SANDY". HE OWNED AND OPERATED MERCURIO MASONRY FOR OVER 45  
5 YEARS. HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE PASADENA ELK'S CLUB AND VERY  
6 INVOLVED IN UNITED STATES ACTIVITIES. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS  
7 WIFE, VERA, DAUGHTERS, RITA, ANNA, LENA, SON, ALEX,  
8 GRANDCHILDREN, SAMUEL AND RACHEL, BROTHERS, MICHAEL AND  
9 GIORGIO. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF CHRIS SCHENKEL, WHO  
10 WE ALL KNOW WITH HIS EASYGOING BARITONE VOICE, WON FANS OVER  
11 FOR MORE THAN SIX DECADES OF BROADCASTING, INCLUDING  
12 EVERYTHING FROM BOWLING TO THE OLYMPICS. HE WAS THE FIRST TO  
13 COVER THE MASTER'S TOURNAMENT ON TELEVISION, THE FIRST TO CALL  
14 A COLLEGE FOOTBALL GAME COAST-TO-COAST AND THE FIRST TO SERVE  
15 AS A LIVE SPORTS ANCHOR FROM THE OLYMPICS. HE WAS A VERY  
16 SINCERE AND LOVING MAN WHO LOVED WHAT HE DID. HE'S GOING TO BE  
17 SORELY MISSED BY HIS FAMILY, FRIENDS, AND PARTICULARLY HIS  
18 WIFE OF 50 YEARS, FRAN, SONS, TED AND JOHN AND DAUGHTER, TINA.  
19 ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MARILYN WHIRRY. SHE WAS AN  
20 EXCEPTIONAL TEACHER WHO TAUGHT ENGLISH FROM 1967 TO 2000 AT  
21 MIRA COSTA IN MANHATTAN BEACH. SHE WON THE PRESTIGIOUS CRYSTAL  
22 APPLE AWARD AS NATIONAL TEACHER OF THE YEAR 2000 BY PRESIDENT  
23 CLINTON. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER TWO SONS, ROBERT, WHO RESIDES  
24 IN LOS ANGELES, AND DAVID, WHO RESIDES IN BAKERSFIELD. FOUR  
25 GRANDCHILDREN. SHE'LL BE DEEPLY MISSED BY HER FAMILY, HER



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1 ASSISTANT, YVONNE, AND NUMEROUS FRIENDS. GREAT TEACHER. ALSO  
2 THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF EDDIE AUGUST, A LONG-TIME  
3 RESIDENT OF LAKEWOOD, SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, ANNETTE, SONS,  
4 STEVEN, MICHAEL AND CHRIS, SISTERS, BARBARA, DOROTHY,  
5 GRANDDAUGHTERS, CHRISTINE, LISA, APRIL, NICOLE, AND GRANDSON,  
6 JOSHUA AND GREAT GRANDCHILDREN, LAUREN AND JAY. THOSE ARE MY  
7 ADJOURNMENTS, MADAM CHAIR.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED ON THOSE ADJOURNMENTS.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE:** I DON'T HAVE ANYTHING ELSE.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WOULD YOU MIND, WE'VE HAD A  
14 REQUEST TO HEAR ITEM 16. IF WE COULD DO THAT NOW. WHO DO WE  
15 HAVE ON ITEM NUMBER 16? BRUCE SALTZER. DO YOU WANT TO JOIN US,  
16 PLEASE.

17

18 **BRUCE SALTZER:** GOOD AFTERNOON.

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20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** GOOD AFTERNOON.

21

22 **BRUCE SALTZER:** BRUCE SALTZER WITH THE ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY  
23 HUMAN SERVICE AGENCIES. THE ASSOCIATION WOULD LIKE TO TAKE  
24 THIS OPPORTUNITY TO THANK AND COMMEND THE DEPARTMENT OF  
25 CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF ITS



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1 DIRECTOR, DR. SANDERS, FOR THE VERY COLLABORATIVE APPROACH IT  
2 TOOK IN COMING TO AN OVERALL AGREEMENT WITH THE PROVIDER  
3 COMMUNITY ON THE LANGUAGE IN THE F.F.A. AND GROUP HOME  
4 BOILERPLATE CONTRACT. AS I'VE SAID TO DR. SANDERS DIRECTLY,  
5 AND HE'S CERTAINLY FULLY AWARE, THE DISCUSSIONS WERE NOT EASY  
6 AND THERE WAS A LOT OF INTENSE CONVERSATIONS AND DIFFERING  
7 POINTS OF VIEW EXPRESSED BUT, IN THE END, BOTH SIDES AT LEAST  
8 MADE A DILIGENT EFFORT TO UNDERSTAND EACH OTHER'S POINT OF  
9 VIEW AND CONSIDER IT SERIOUSLY AND THOUGHTFULLY. THE PROCESS  
10 WAS ABSOLUTELY A SIGNIFICANT IMPROVEMENT OVER PRIOR YEARS AND  
11 THE DEPARTMENT AND DR. SANDERS DESERVE A LOT OF CREDIT FOR  
12 MAKING THIS HAPPEN. WE'D ALSO LIKE TO EXPRESS OUR APPRECIATION  
13 TO SUPERVISOR MOLINA FOR INCLUDING IN HER INITIAL MOTION THE  
14 LANGUAGE WHICH PROVIDED THE F.F.A.S AND GROUP HOMES THE  
15 OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT ON THE PROPOSED CONTRACT PROVISIONS AND  
16 HAVE THE COUNTY CONSIDER THIS INPUT BEFORE FINALIZING ITS  
17 CONTRACT LANGUAGE. LASTLY, A SPECIAL THANKS TO NICK IPILITO  
18 AND SUPERVISOR KNABE FOR WHAT I WOULD CHARACTERIZE AS THEIR  
19 GENTLE PRODDING DURING THE DISCUSSION PROCESS. THEIR EFFORTS  
20 WERE INSTRUMENTAL IN ASSISTING BOTH SIDES TO COME TO A FINAL  
21 AGREEMENT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

22  
23 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MR. SALTZER. WE ALSO APPRECIATE  
24 YOUR COOPERATION AND YOUR LEADERSHIP IN THAT AREA. THANK YOU  
25 SO MUCH.



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** ABSOLUTELY. GETTING ALL THOSE PEOPLE INTO ONE  
3 ROOM, FROM TIME TO TIME, WAS VERY DIFFICULT. WE APPRECIATE IT.  
4 THANKS.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ON THAT ITEM, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE,  
7 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO  
8 ORDERED ON THAT ITEM. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, YOUR SPECIALS.

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10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ITEM 64.

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12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ITEM 64.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IT'S MARSHA MAYETTA.

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16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OKAY. THAT'S A REPORT. MISS MAYETTA, IF  
17 YOU'D JOIN US, PLEASE.

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FIRST QUESTION IS, COULD THE DEPARTMENT  
20 INVESTIGATE THE NATIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS FOR STAFFING LEVELS  
21 AND SALARY SURVEYS TO SEE HOW THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES IS  
22 CURRENTLY STAFFED?

23

24 **MARSHA MAYETTA:** WE COULD DO THAT.

25



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1   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SECONDLY, ON THE ORDINANCE, I WANT TO ASK,  
2   HOW DOES THE COUNTY'S ORDINANCE COMPARE WITH OTHER  
3   JURISDICTIONS?

4

5   **MARSHA MAYETTA:** OUR ORDINANCE IS VERY SIMILAR BUT IT'S ALSO  
6   STRONGER THAN MANY THAT ARE OUT THERE. IT'S CERTAINLY STRONGER  
7   THAN THE STATE STATUTES. IT HAS STRONGER PROVISIONS AND IT  
8   REDUCES THE NUMBER OF INCIDENCES IN CERTAIN CASES FOR WHEN WE  
9   WOULD WANT TO PROSECUTE A CASE LIKE THIS.

10

11   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IT INDICATES THAT THE-- WE HAVE THE ABILITY  
12   TO BRING LIMITED CIVIL ACTIONS AGAINST DOG OWNERS WHOSE DOG  
13   CAUSES A PERSON TO TAKE DEFENSIVE ACTION TO AVOID INJURY OR  
14   WHOSE DOG INJURES OR KILLS A PERSON OR DOMESTIC ANIMAL. ARE  
15   THERE ANY ADDITIONAL AMENDMENTS THAT WE COULD ENHANCE THAT  
16   ABILITY FOR A PERSON WHO WAS VICTIMIZED BY SUCH AN ANIMAL?

17

18   **MARSHA MAYETTA:** WELL, THE LIMITED CIVIL ACTIONS HAVE WORKED  
19   VERY, VERY WELL FOR OUR DEPARTMENT. WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO GET  
20   EVERY SANCTION THAT WE'VE ASKED FOR, AND THE PROCESS GOING  
21   THROUGH A LIMITED CIVIL ACTION WORKS BETTER FOR US BECAUSE IT  
22   REQUIRES THAT THE MATTER BE HEARD WITHIN 10 DAYS IN COURT. IF  
23   IT WERE AN UNLIMITED CIVIL ACTION, IT COULD BE YEARS, THROUGH  
24   DISCOVERY AND OTHER SORTS OF LEGAL REQUIREMENTS, FOR IT TO BE  
25   RESOLVED. BUT, WITH THE LIMITED CIVIL ACTION, OUR PRIMARY





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1 CONCERN IS FOR THE SAFETY OF THE COMMUNITY AND WE CAN HAVE  
2 THESE CASES HEARD AND A DECISION WITHIN 10 DAYS. WE'VE BEEN  
3 ABLE TO GET ALL THE PENALTIES THAT WE ASKED FOR, AND WITH THE  
4 FINE OF \$500 PER PENALTY, MANY TIMES, IN THESE CASES, THERE'S  
5 8 OR 10 CHARGES, SO WE'VE ASKED FOR 5 TO \$6,000 IN SOME CASES  
6 IN PENALTIES. THE JUDGES DO NOT NORMALLY AWARD THAT MUCH.  
7 WE'VE HAD AWARDS OF 3 TO \$4,000, WHICH IS STILL SIGNIFICANT  
8 FOR A PET OWNER. ALSO, WITH THE LIMITED CIVIL REMEDIES, THE  
9 PET OWNER CAN ONLY APPEAL ONCE AND IT WOULD BE A DE NOVO RE  
10 TRIAL, ACTUALLY, IN THE SUPERIOR COURT. IT DOES NOT GO TO THE  
11 COURT OF APPEALS. SO, AGAIN, IT REDUCES OUR COSTS AND WE'RE  
12 CONTINUING TO GET THE SANCTIONS THAT WE ASK FOR. ONE AREA  
13 WHERE WE MAY-- THAT WE MAY BE ABLE TO EXPLORE, AND I DON'T  
14 HAVE THE ANSWER TO THIS, IS THAT, IN ONE SECTION, IT'S  
15 REQUIRED THAT THE DOG COMMIT AN ACT ON TWO OR MORE OCCASIONS  
16 WITHIN A 36-MONTH PERIOD. WE COULD LOOK AT EXTENDING THAT TIME  
17 PERIOD BUT THERE WOULD REMAIN SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT DUE  
18 PROCESS, AND WE WOULD HAVE TO LOOK THROUGH-- LOOK AT THAT WITH  
19 COUNTY COUNSEL.

20  
21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IT SEEMS A RATHER EXCESSIVE LENGTH OF TIME,  
22 WITHIN A 36-MONTH PERIOD, THAT THAT COULD BE REDUCED TO, I  
23 DON'T KNOW, 12 MONTHS OR WHATEVER BUT...



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1   **MARSHA MAYETTA:** ACTUALLY, IT WOULD BE BETTER TO EXPAND IT,  
2   BECAUSE, IF THEY HAVE TWO INCIDENTS, YOU KNOW, AFTER-- IF IT'S  
3   ONLY IN A YEAR, AFTER THE YEAR ENDS, THE CLOCK STARTS OVER. IF  
4   IT'S IN THREE YEARS, THEY'RE ON NOTICE FOR THREE YEARS, SO WE  
5   WOULD WANT TO EXPAND THAT OUT TO 4 YEARS OR 5 YEARS.

6

7   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND IF A DOG DOES A BITE WITHIN A 12-MONTH  
8   PERIOD, THEN WHAT ACTIONS WOULD YOU TAKE?

9

10   **MARSHA MAYETTA:** IF THEY BITE WITHIN-- IT DEPENDS ON THE NATURE  
11   OF THE BITE AND IF THEY BIT AN ANIMAL OR A PERSON. IT CAN BE  
12   ANYWHERE FROM A MISDEMEANOR UP TO A FELONY. IF THERE'S ANY  
13   THREAT TO PUBLIC SAFETY, WE GET WARRANTS TO REMOVE THE ANIMALS  
14   FROM THE OWNERS AND QUARANTINE THEM WHERE THEY'RE SAFE AND THE  
15   PUBLIC IS SAFE.

16

17   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE PENALTY IS NOT TO EXCEED \$500. THAT WOULD  
18   NOT BE A FELONY, THOUGH. THAT'S A MISDEMEANOR.

19

20   **MARSHA MAYETTA:** RIGHT, BUT THAT'S PER INCIDENT AND, NORMALLY,  
21   DURING AN ATTACK, THERE ARE MULTIPLE INCIDENTS. SO WE MAY HAVE  
22   10 INCIDENTS IN ONE ATTACK OF DIFFERENT TYPES OF BITES OR  
23   INJURIES OR CHARGES THAT WE'RE FILING, SO THAT'S WHY WE'VE  
24   ASKED FOR UP TO 5 OR \$6,000 IN CERTAIN CASES.

25



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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THEN THE OWNER WOULD PAY A FINE NOT TO  
2    EXCEED \$1,000 WOULD BE FOR WHAT TYPE OF OFFENSE?

3

4    **MARSHA MAYETTA:** FOR THE MISDEMEANOR, YEAH, THAT WOULD BE ON  
5    TOP OF IT.

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7    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ON TOP OF THAT. WHAT IS THE MOST SERIOUS FINE  
8    THAT AN OWNER WHO ENCOURAGES DOGS TO ATTACK OTHER PEOPLE,  
9    OTHER ANIMALS, WHAT TYPE OF PENALTY COULD HE OR SHE SUFFER?

10

11   **MARSHA MAYETTA:** WELL, IF IT WENT UNDER THE DANGEROUS DOG,  
12   UNDER THE PENAL CODE SECTION WHERE AN ANIMAL HAS ACTUALLY  
13   KILLED SOMEBODY, THAT'S PROSECUTED AS A FELONY, SO I BELIEVE  
14   THAT'S \$20,000 AND TIME IN THE STATE PRISON.

15

16   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. THANK YOU. I'LL MOVE THE ITEM.

17

18   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. IT'S BEEN MOVED. SECONDED BY  
19   SUPERVISOR BURKE. IS THERE ANY QUESTION OR COMMENT?

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21   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHICH ALSO INCLUDES THEM INVESTIGATING THEIR  
22   STAFFING WITH NATIONAL STANDARDS.

23



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1   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. IS THERE ANY OBJECTION TO THAT?  
2   IF NOT, WE'LL RECEIVE AND FILE THE REPORT AND WE MOVE FORWARD  
3   WITH THE RECOMMENDATION BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

4

5   **MARSHA MAYETTA:** OKAY. THANK YOU.

6

7   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD.

8

9   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ITEM NUMBER 60. I WOULD LIKE MR. JANSSEN.  
10   THIS INCREASE THAT YOU'RE RECOMMENDING, IS THIS CONSISTENT  
11   WITH THE UNION CONTRACTS?

12

13   **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** YES. MADAM CHAIR, SUPERVISOR, THERE ARE A  
14   COUPLE OF THINGS. THERE WAS AN ARTICLE IN THE PAPER THIS  
15   MORNING THAT NEEDS A LITTLE BIT OF CLARIFICATION, I THINK. THE  
16   ITEM IS THE THIRD YEAR, IMPLEMENTING THE THIRD YEAR OF OUR  
17   CONTRACT WITH REPRESENTED EMPLOYEES AND IMPACTING NONREPS WITH  
18   RESPECT TO HEALTH BENEFITS AND WE'RE SETTING THE RATES FOR THE  
19   HEALTH PLANS AND THE COUNTY CONTRIBUTION. FOR THE REPRESENTED  
20   EMPLOYEES, THERE WAS A CAP, 660 TESTIFIED LAST WEEK THAT THEY  
21   HAD WORKED VERY HARD TO KEEP THE INCREASED COST OF THE HEALTH  
22   PLAN DOWN BY ABOUT \$10 MILLION BY DOING SUCH THINGS AS  
23   INCREASING THE EMERGENCY ROOM USAGE TO \$50, AN OCCASION TO  
24   REDUCE THE USAGE, INAPPROPRIATE USAGE AND THEREBY HOLDING THE  
25   MEDICAL COSTS DOWN, AND THOSE WERE CONCESSIONS THAT WERE MADE



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1 BY THE HEALTH PLANS TO THEM. THAT PARTICULAR INCREASE IS GOING  
2 TO COST ABOUT \$31 MILLION. IT AFFECTS 72,000 OF OUR EMPLOYEES,  
3 ABOUT \$400 A YEAR INCREASE. THE SECOND PART THAT APPLIES TO  
4 THE NONREPS, THE SHORT-TERM DISABILITY PROGRAM, THE  
5 REIMBURSEMENT IS BEING INCREASED FROM 40 TO 70% FOR THOSE  
6 PEOPLE. LAST YEAR IN THE BOARD LETTER IMPLEMENTING THE RATES,  
7 WE TOLD YOU THAT WE WOULD BE BACK THIS YEAR WITH AN ADJUSTMENT  
8 TO THAT PLAN, THAT THE CURRENT PLAN IS NOT EQUIVALENT TO WHAT  
9 THE REPRESENTED EMPLOYEES HAVE. THE COST OF THAT IS \$3.2  
10 MILLION ANNUALLY, ABOUT A MILLION THREE NET COUNTY COST. SO  
11 THEY ARE CONSISTENT WITH THE REPRESENTED EMPLOYEES AND THAT'S  
12 THE REASON THAT WE ARE RECOMMENDING THEM. AND THE COSTS  
13 ASSOCIATED WITH DOING IT.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT-- BECAUSE THIS IS DONE ON A YEARLY  
16 BASIS, WHAT FACTORS ARE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION OR THE TYPE  
17 OF CRITERIA USED TO DETERMINE THESE COSTS?

18

19 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WELL, THE BULK OF THE COSTS ARE REALLY  
20 DETERMINED BY THE HEALTH PLANS AND OUR ABILITY TO NEGOTIATE A-  
21 - YOU KNOW, AS SMALL AN INCREASE AS POSSIBLE. KAISER HAS BEEN,  
22 INTERESTINGLY ENOUGH, BECOME MORE EXPENSIVE AS A PLAN NOW THAN  
23 OUR H.M.O.S AND OUR CONTRIBUTIONS ARE TIED NOW TO H.M.O.S  
24 RATHER THAN KAISER, BUT IT REALLY DEPENDS ON THE CONDITION OF  
25 THE HEALTH SYSTEMS AND OUR ABILITY TO LIMIT THEIR INCREASE.



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1 THE INCREASES ARE NOT AS GREAT AS THEY HAVE BEEN OVER THE LAST  
2 TWO YEARS BUT THEY'RE STILL IN THE 8 TO 9% AREA.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND, AGAIN, YOUR RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE  
5 CHANGES OF THE SHORT-TERM DISABILITY PLAN.

6

7 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** RIGHT. THOSE, AS I SAID, LAST YEAR, WE  
8 INDICATED WE'D BE BACK THIS YEAR. THE PLANS FOR REPRESENTED  
9 EMPLOYEES ARE VERY DIFFERENT THAN THE PLANS FOR NON-REPS.  
10 THEY'RE BOTH CAFETERIA PLANS, BUT THERE ARE MORE DAYS PROVIDED  
11 FOR SICK LEAVE IN REPRESENTED EMPLOYEES. THERE ARE NONE  
12 PROVIDED FOR NONREPS. SO THE ADJUSTMENT IN THE SHORT-TERM  
13 DISABILITY IS TO TRY TO MAKE THOSE PROGRAMS MORE COMPARABLE.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. THOSE ARE MY QUESTIONS.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS OR  
18 COMMENTS? ALL RIGHT. THAT WASN'T AN ITEM BEFORE US. ANYWAY.  
19 ALL RIGHT... ON MY ITEMS...

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21 **SUP. KNABE:** DID WE HAVE TO MOVE OR...?

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23 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I DON'T THINK SO. OH, IT WAS? WHAT ITEM  
24 WAS IT?

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1   **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** 60. YOU DO HAVE TO APPROVE IT. IT'S SECOND  
2   READING.

3

4   **SUP. KNABE:** I'LL MOVE THE ITEM.

5

6   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE, SECONDED BY  
7   SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. I  
8   APOLOGIZE.

9

10   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THERE WAS ITEM 26. THE STATE DEPARTMENT  
11   OF ALCOHOL, DRUG...

12

13   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MR. ROBINSON, PLEASE, ON ITEM NUMBER 26.

14

15   **RICHARD ROBINSON:** MADAM CHAIRWOMAN, MEMBERS, RICHARD ROBINSON,  
16   NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZER. THIS INCREASE TO 102,909,663 I SUPPORT  
17   BECAUSE IT WILL HELP YOU TO HELP ME TO PROTECT MY FRIEND,  
18   ROBERT YU, THE OWNER OF THE 7-STAR MOTEL. MA'AM, NEGOTIATED  
19   NET AMOUNTS OF MEDI-CAL DRUG FUNDING FOR AGREED UPON  
20   DEPARTMENT OF ALCOHOL AND DRUG PROGRAMS BETWEEN YOU AND THE  
21   STATE ALLOWS YOU TO SUPPORT ALCOHOL AND DRUG PREVENTION AND  
22   DRUG PREVENTION PROGRAMS WITHIN YOUR JURISDICTION. HOPEFULLY,  
23   '06/'07 FUNDING WILL BE GREETED WITH LESS HOSTILITY BY AN  
24   APPARENTLY UNSTOPPABLE INDEFATIGABLE BUDGET-CUTTING GOVERNOR  
25   SCHWARZENEGGER, MAKING IT UNNECESSARY, HOPEFULLY, TO GO OVER



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1 BUDGET NEXT YEAR. THE REPUBLICAN PARTY'S NITWITS' SOMEWHAT  
2 NEBULOUS NOTION THAT OUR GOVERNOR, WITH UTAH'S UNITED STATES  
3 SENATOR ORRIN HATCH'S HELP, IS GOING TO REWRITE THE  
4 CONSTITUTION IN ORDER TO MAKE A FOREIGN-BORN AMERICAN  
5 PRESIDENT BELIES THE REALITY THAT A BETTER CANDIDATE IS  
6 WAITING IN THE WINGS IN ORDER TO BUILD THE GLOBAL VILLAGE. THE  
7 FORMER PRESIDENT'S WIFE IS IDEALLY SITUATED TO REPAIR THE  
8 BREACH IN OUR NATION'S SOCIAL FABRIC. PRESIDENT BUSH'S 8-YEAR  
9 ADMINISTRATION SHALL HAVE BEEN PROVING THAT HOMELAND SECURITY  
10 HAS PREVENTED TERRORIST ATTACKS. IT TAKES A VILLAGE NOW, TO  
11 REUNIFY THIS COUNTRY. IN THE 7-STAR MOTEL AT 1730 NORTH LA  
12 BRAE, IN HOLLYWOOD, DRUG DEALING AND ADDICTION ARE PREVENTING  
13 THE TAIWANESE OWNER OF MY RESIDENCE FROM ENJOYING HIS AMERICAN  
14 CITIZENSHIP AND FROM HELPING HIS CHINESE ALLIES ENJOY THE  
15 FREEDOM TO CHOOSE THE OPPORTUNITIES OF THE FREE ENTERPRISE  
16 SYSTEM THAT MAKE OURS THE BEST COUNTRY. SHERIFF BACA IS DOING  
17 A SUPERIOR JOB. HOWEVER, HE NEEDS THE HELP OF THESE MONEYS AND  
18 MORE IN '06 AND '07. THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH, MR. ROBINSON. THAT ITEM  
21 IS BEFORE US, ITEM-- WHAT ITEM WAS THAT NUMBER? 26. MOVED BY  
22 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE. IF  
23 THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED ON THAT ITEM. DOES THAT  
24 COMPLETE YOUR ITEMS, MR. ANTONOVICH? ALL RIGHT. I HAVE A  
25 COUPLE OF ADJOURNMENTS. FIRST OF ALL, I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT WE



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1    ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF JANNETTE CERUTTI, WHO IS A RETIRED  
2    EXECUTIVE OFFICE EMPLOYEE WHO PASSED AWAY ON SUNDAY AFTER A  
3    LONG ILLNESS. SADLY, JANNETTE'S ILLNESS CAUSED HER EARLY  
4    RETIREMENT LAST OCTOBER. MS. CERUTTI'S COUNTY CAREER SPANNED  
5    MORE THAN 32 YEARS WITH THE LAST 13 AS A MEMBER OF THE  
6    EXECUTIVE OFFICE MINUTE AND COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION. SHE WAS A  
7    DEDICATED, LOYAL EMPLOYEE WHOSE LIFE TOUCHED MANY OTHERS. MS.  
8    CERUTTI'S TRUE CALLING WAS AS A MEMBER OF THE ST. DOMINIQUE  
9    CATHOLIC CHURCH IN EAGLE ROCK WHERE SHE SERVED AS A  
10    EUCHARISTIC MINISTER, A TEACHER AT THE ALTAR SERVICE, AND ALSO  
11    PERFORMED IN THE CHOIR. MS. CERUTTI WAS ALSO COMMITTED TO THE  
12    CARMELITE SISTERS OF THE MOST SACRED HEART AT THEIR RETREAT  
13    HOUSE IN ALHAMBRA.

14

15    **SUP. KNABE:** I'D LIKE TO JOIN IN THAT, PLEASE.

16

17    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WE'D LIKE TO HAVE ALL MEMBERS, THEN. WE  
18    EXTEND OUR DEEPEST CONDOLENCES TO HER LOVING FAMILY, FRIENDS  
19    AND HER COLLEAGUES AS WELL. I'D ALSO LIKE TO ASK THAT WE  
20    ADJOURN TODAY IN THE MEMBER OF JAVIER ALBERTO POUCE ZUBIA. HE  
21    WAS 35 YEARS OLD. HE WAS A TRANSITO WORKER, WHICH IS LIKE A  
22    HIGHWAY PATROL IN MEXICO. HE WAS KILLED BY A DRUNK DRIVER ON  
23    SEPTEMBER THE 5TH. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE AND HIS THREE  
24    CHILDREN. HE IS ONE OF MY SECOND COUSINS, AND IT WAS A REAL  
25    TRAGIC LOSS. ALL RIGHT. ON ITEM NUMBER 23, I'M GOING TO ASK



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1 THAT THAT ITEM BE RECONSIDERED. MOVED BY MYSELF. SECONDED BY  
2 MISS BURKE SO I CAN INTRODUCE A MOTION THAT'S RELATED TO IT  
3 AND I'LL HAVE MY STAFF PASS OUT THE MOTION ON ITEM 23. THE  
4 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS FACED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
5 SERVICES BUDGET CRISIS IN 2007 THAT REQUIRES OUR FULL  
6 ATTENTION AS WELL AS OUR STRATEGIC INVESTMENT OF LIMITED  
7 PUBLIC RESOURCES. THE PHYSICAL CONDITIONS OF MANY OF OUR  
8 HEALTHCARE FACILITIES REQUIRE ADDITIONAL REPAIRS AND  
9 RENOVATIONS TO ENSURE-- EXCUSE ME, THAT THE PEOPLE OF LOS  
10 ANGELES COUNTY WHO RECEIVE HEALTHCARE SERVICES AND RECEIVING  
11 THEM IN A FULLY OPERATIONAL HIGH QUALITY FACILITY.  
12 IMPROVEMENTS TO OUR HEALTHCARE FACILITIES MUST BE COMPLETED TO  
13 ENSURE THAT THEY DO NOT FALL INTO DISREPAIR AND FURTHER  
14 THREATEN OUR FRAGILE HEALTHCARE SYSTEM. I THEREFORE MOVE THAT  
15 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DIRECT THE C.A.O. AND THE DEPARTMENT  
16 OF HEALTH SERVICES TO PREPARE A REPORT TO THE BOARD WITH  
17 SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS, HOPEFULLY BY THE SEPTEMBER 20TH  
18 BOARD MEETING, DETAILING AND PRIORITIZING ALL OF D.H.S.  
19 FACILITIES THAT REQUIRE FACILITIES AND/OR CAPITAL  
20 IMPROVEMENTS, THE PROJECTED SCHEDULES FOR COMPLETION, ANY  
21 BUDGET ESTIMATE PROJECTIONS CURRENTLY AVAILABLE. SO I WANTED  
22 TO AMEND THAT ITEM TO INTRODUCE THAT MOTION. IS THERE ANY  
23 OBJECTION? IF NOT, SO ORDERED. THE OTHER ITEM THAT WAS HELD  
24 WAS 64? ITEM 12 WAS HELD. IS THAT THE GRAND JURY REPORT? OKAY.  
25 ITEM NUMBER 12. DR. CLAVREUL.



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2 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

3 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. I AM VERY CONCERNED WHEN I SEE THAT

4 REPLY TO THE GRAND JURY. I WAS HOPING THAT THE BOARD WOULD

5 TAKE A DECISION ON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE GRAND JURY AND I

6 WOULD LIKE TO KNOW HOW LONG IT WOULD BE BEFORE YOU RESPOND TO

7 THE RECOMMENDATION. WHEN YOU READ THE REPORT IN DETAIL, IT

8 JUST ASKS MORE QUESTIONS. I AM ONE OF THE PEOPLE WHO DID

9 REQUEST A GRAND JURY INVESTIGATION ON THE BEHAVIOR ON THE

10 BOARD VIS-A-VIS THE HEALTHCARE IN THIS COUNTY, AND I AM VERY

11 ANXIOUS TO SEE YOUR RESPONSE TO THE RECOMMENDATION, AND I

12 WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHEN THAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THAT'S WHAT THIS IS, DR. CLAVREUL, IT'S

15 THE RESPONSES.

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17 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** WELL, IT'S NOT THE RESPONSE.

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19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I UNDERSTAND IT'S NOT SATISFACTORY TO YOUR

20 LIKING, BUT THE ISSUE IS-- AND IT ISN'T TO MINE, EITHER, LET

21 ME TELL YOU BUT, AT THE SAME TIME, THESE ARE THE RESPONSES

22 THAT HAVE BEEN PREPARED FOR THE GRAND JURY REPORT.

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24 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** BECAUSE, YOU KNOW, THE QUESTION IS IF

25 WE DO THAT, IF WE DO THAT, BUT THERE IS NOT AN ANSWER, SO IT'S



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1 A NON-- AS USUAL, IT'S A NON-ANSWER AND A NON-STAND. THANK  
2 YOU.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. VERY GOOD. THANK YOU SO MUCH.  
5 THAT ITEM IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY MS. BURKE, SECONDED BY  
6 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED ON  
7 ITEM NUMBER 12. AND THEN THE LAST ITEM IS 66-C, WHICH WE HAD  
8 HELD FOR THE REPORT BY OUR EMERGENCY TEAM. SO IF THERE'S NO  
9 OBJECTION TO THAT ITEM, I'LL MOVE THAT ITEM. SECONDED BY  
10 SUPERVISOR KNABE. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED ON THAT  
11 ITEM. ALL RIGHT. THAT COMPLETES ALL OF THE ITEMS. MS. BURKE  
12 HAS HER ADJOURNMENTS AND THEN WE HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT.

13

14 **SUP. BURKE:** ALL RIGHT. I MOVE THAT, WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE  
15 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF THOSE 5 CHILDREN WHO LOST THEIR LIVES IN  
16 A TRAGIC ACCIDENT CAUSED BY THE MISUSE OF A CIGARETTE LIGHTER  
17 WHICH IGNITED A FIRE IN THEIR CARSON TOWNHOUSE LAST SUNDAY  
18 MORNING. THE ADULTS WERE OVERWHELMED WITH THE SMOKE AS THEY  
19 TRIED DESPERATELY TO SAVE THE CHILDREN'S LIVES. THEY WERE ALL  
20 MEMBERS OF AN EXTENDED FAMILY WHO LIVED IN THE TOWNHOUSE. FOUR  
21 GIRLS, TAEAOALII KOLOI, WHO WAS 6; TAAMILO SIEMAIA, WHO WAS 8;  
22 TALIAMA FAAULI, 6, EVELINA FAAULI, 9 AND A BOY, PENE KOLOI, 6.  
23 I'D LIKE TO ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF...

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25 **SUP. KNABE:** I WANT TO BE ADDED ON THAT ONE AS WELL, TOO.





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2 **SUP. BURKE:** GROVER HAMPTON, A LONG-TIME RESIDENT OF THE SECOND  
3 DISTRICT WHO LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY HIS WIFE, MRS.  
4 JIMMIE HARRISON-HAMPTON, HIS DAUGHTER, RENALD, AND HIS MOTHER,  
5 MARY LEE HAMPTON. AND NANCY SUE BAKER, WHO PASSED AWAY  
6 RECENTLY. SHE IS THE MOTHER-IN-LAW OF TRACER BROOKHAMMER ROSE.  
7 SHE LEAVES TO CHERISH HER MEMORY HER THREE CHILDREN, JAMES  
8 ROSE, LELA BAKER, AND AUBREY BAKER II. I WOULD ALSO JUST LIKE  
9 TO ASK-- ORDINARILY, I WOULD JUST SEND THIS LETTER ON TO DR.  
10 GARTHWAITE BUT I'M GOING TO ASK FOR DR. GARTHWAITE TO RESPOND  
11 TO THIS LETTER AND I WANT TO SHARE JUST WHAT IT SAYS HERE AND  
12 ASK HIM IF HE WOULD RESPOND TO IT. THE PERSON'S NAME IS MARY  
13 CRUMP AND SHE SAYS SHE'S LIVED IN THE SECOND DISTRICT FOR 40  
14 YEARS. SHE IS WRITING THE LETTER BECAUSE OF HER DAUGHTER. ON  
15 AUGUST 20TH, 2005, HER DAUGHTER WAS TAKEN TO DANIEL FREEMAN  
16 HOSPITAL BY PARAMEDICS DUE TO A SERIOUS ILLNESS. AFTER  
17 ASSESSMENT AND EMERGENCY TREATMENT, IT WAS NECESSARY TO ADMIT  
18 HER FOR FURTHER TREATMENT. THE FAMILY WAS INFORMED SHE WOULD  
19 BE ADMITTED TO DANIEL FREEMAN HOSPITAL, WHICH IS LESS THAN  
20 THREE MILES FROM HER HOME. WHEN THE FAMILY CALLED THE HOSPITAL  
21 LATER THAT EVENING, THEY WERE INFORMED SHE HAD BEEN  
22 TRANSFERRED TO UCLA OLIVE VIEW HOSPITAL BECAUSE SHE HAD NO  
23 HEALTHCARE INSURANCE. OLIVE VIEW HOSPITAL IS MORE THAN 40  
24 MILES FROM HER HOME AND HER IMMEDIATE FAMILY. SHE HAD TWO  
25 OPERATIONS IN A MATTER OF TWO DAYS. THE FAMILY WAS WITH HER



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1 FOR THE FIRST OPERATION, WHICH LASTED ABOUT FOUR YEARS-- FOUR  
2 HOURS, BUT NO FAMILY WAS ABLE TO GET TO THE HOSPITAL IN TIME  
3 FOR THE SECOND EMERGENCY OPERATION THE FOLLOWING DAY, DUE TO  
4 THE DISTANCE AND HEAVY TRAFFIC DURING THE TIME OF THE  
5 OPERATION. THE DRIVING TIME ONE WAY IS MORE THAN TWO HOURS. SO  
6 I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT THIS BE RESPONDED TO AND I'D APPRECIATE  
7 TO KNOW IT. ALSO, IN THE LETTER, THERE IS SOME INFORMATION  
8 ALSO ABOUT HER SISTER AS IT RELATED TO AN INCIDENT ON AUGUST  
9 28TH. I'D LIKE TO GET THE ORIGINAL BACK AND SEND A COPY TO  
10 HIM. THAT CONCLUDES MY...

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU SO MUCH, MS. BURKE.  
13 UNDER PUBLIC COMMENT, WE HAVE EVA LEMUS, EDUARDO LEMUS, AND  
14 ERNESTO GARCIA. IF THEY WOULD JOIN US, PLEASE.

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16 **SPEAKER:** WHO IS THE FIRST?

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18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I'M SORRY?

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20 **SPEAKER:** WHO IS THE FIRST? WHO SPEAK FIRST?

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22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MISS LEMUS, EVA LEMUS.

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24 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** (SPEAKING SPANISH)

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1    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THEY SHOULD HAVE ASKED EARLIER IF THEY  
2    NEEDED TRANSLATION.

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4    **EVA LEMUS:** (SPEAKING SPANISH).

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6    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** (SPEAKING SPANISH).

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8    **EVA LEMUS:** (SPEAKING SPANISH).

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10   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** LET ME BEGIN WITH K. BANDELL-- OR K.  
11   BENDLE, I'M SORRY. SHEL PLOTKIN, DAVID WHEATLEY AND JAMES  
12   LAFFERTY. IF THEY'D JOIN US, PLEASE. MR. BANDELL, ARE YOU  
13   GOING TO START?

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15   **SPEAKER:** MS. BANDELL, I THINK, IS IN THE HALLWAY, SO MR.--  
16   THIS MAN WOULD LIKE TO GO.

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18   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. MR. PLOTKIN IS STARTING THEN?

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20   **DR. SHELDON PLOTKIN:** YES. I'M DR. SHELDON C. PLOTKIN,  
21   CONSULTING SYSTEMS AND SAFETY ENGINEER IN WEST LOS ANGELES.  
22   BASE ORGANIZATION IS THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FEDERATION OF  
23   SCIENTISTS, ALTHOUGH I'M NOT HERE SPEAKING FOR THE  
24   ORGANIZATION, I'M HERE SPEAKING ONLY FOR MYSELF. I'LL JUST  
25   READ MY REMARKS, IF IT'S OKAY. WHILE MOST PEOPLE ARE FAMILIAR



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1 WITH THE DEATH PENALTY AND THE NUMEROUS REASONS FOR ABOLITION  
2 AS WELL AS A FEW REASONS FOR RETENTION, NO ONE IS IN FAVOR OF  
3 KEEPING AN UNFAIR AND UNJUST SYSTEM IN PLACE. THUS, THE  
4 CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE HAS ESTABLISHED A CALIFORNIA COMMISSION  
5 ON FAIR ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE TO ASSESS THE FAIRNESS AND  
6 JUSTICE OF PRESENT CAPITAL PUNISHMENT PRACTICES. UNDER SUCH  
7 CIRCUMSTANCES, IT'S ONLY REASONABLE TO ADOPT A MORATORIUM ON  
8 CAPITAL PUNISHMENT FOR ALL PRESENT INMATES ON DEATH ROW UNTIL  
9 THE COMMISSION HAS SUBMITTED ITS REPORT AND THE LEGISLATURE  
10 REVIEWED THE FINDINGS. A RESOLUTION OF THE LOS ANGELES BOARD  
11 OF SUPERVISORS IS NOT BINDING BUT SIMPLY ADDS WEIGHT TO THE  
12 NUMEROUS RESOLUTIONS ALREADY PASSED BY MANY CITIES AND  
13 COUNTIES THROUGHOUT CALIFORNIA. ACTION BY THE GOVERNOR AND THE  
14 LEGISLATURE IS NEEDED FOR WHICH THERE WILL BE JUDGED-- THEY  
15 WILL BE JUDGED BY THE ELECTORATE FOR THEIR MORAL AND POLITICAL  
16 ETHICS. SUPPORT FOR AB-1121, ESTABLISHING A MORATORIUM DOES  
17 NOT MEAN FAVORING ABOLITION; IT ONLY MEANS HOLDING OFF  
18 EXECUTIONS UNTIL THE SYSTEM CAN BE MADE FAIR AND JUST. IT MAY  
19 BE OF NOTE THAT THE SAME LEGISLATION-- LEGISLATIVE ACTIONS IN  
20 ILLINOIS RESULTED IN A REPORT CITING OVER 60 ERRORS IN THEIR  
21 SYSTEM AND PRACTICES. AS FOR CALIFORNIA, INFORMAL ESTIMATES  
22 ARE THAT THE MAJORITY OF THE ILLINOIS PROBLEMS ALSO PREVAIL  
23 HERE. ALTHOUGH THOSE OF US IN FAVOR OF ABOLITION SEE THIS  
24 INVESTIGATION AS A FIRST STEP, IT MAY BE THAT CALIFORNIA'S  
25 PROBLEMS CAN BE FIXED, THUS ALLOWING THE SYSTEM TO CONTINUE.



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1   WHATEVER THE VIEWPOINT OR RATIONALE, A MORATORIUM ON  
2   EXECUTIONS IS FAVORED BY 73% OF CITIZENS OF CALIFORNIA FOR AT  
3   LEAST THE TWO OR THREE YEARS THE COMMISSION WILL REQUIRE FOR  
4   SUBMITTING ITS REPORT ON THE INVESTIGATION. BECAUSE THERE ARE  
5   MORE PEOPLE ON DEATH ROW FROM LOS ANGELES COUNTY THAN ANY  
6   OTHER, MEMBERS OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
7   ARE MOST IMPORTANT ON THIS ISSUE. IT IS ONLY REASONABLE THAT  
8   THIS BODY PASS A SIMPLE RESOLUTION REQUESTING A MORATORIUM ON  
9   THE DEATH PENALTY UNTIL COMPLETION OF THE COMMISSION'S WORK.  
10  THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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12  **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. MR. WHEATLEY. I'M  
13  SORRY? OKAY. MS. BANDELL. YES. PLEASE.

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15  **MS. BANDELL:** BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, DEPUTIES, AND MEMBERS OF  
16  THE PUBLIC, GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS K. BANDELL. I'M A  
17  REGISTERED NURSE WHO LIVES IN NORWALK, CALIFORNIA. I THANK YOU  
18  FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK. I COME BEFORE YOU WITH, IN THE  
19  WORDS OF JONATHAN SWIFT, A MODEST PROPOSAL, A PROPOSAL SO  
20  MODEST THAT ITS MERITS HAVE BEEN EMBRACED BY LEGIONS OF  
21  ENTITIES WHICH GOVERN, AS DO YOU. I AND OTHERS ASK THAT THE  
22  LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COMMUNALLY ADOPT A  
23  RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A MORATORIUM ON EXECUTIONS IN  
24  CALIFORNIA. THE IDEA IS NOT NEW. ALTHOUGH AN ITALIAN  
25  INVENTION, IT IS HEALTHILY GLOBAL. MORE THAN 3.2 MILLION



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1 INDIVIDUALS HAVE SIGNED MORATORIUM PETITIONS WORLDWIDE. ITS  
2 POPULARITY WITHIN THE UNITED STATES, MOREOVER, IS REFLECTED IN  
3 THE MORE THAN 3,700 PETITIONS, WHICH HAVE BEEN ADOPTED BY  
4 GROUPS, AND IN ENDORSEMENTS BY 143 MUNICIPALITIES REPRESENTING  
5 MORE THAN 27 MILLION PEOPLE. WITHIN CALIFORNIA ALONE, 419  
6 GROUPS AND 15 MUNICIPALITIES HAVE ENDORSED MORATORIUMS.  
7 COUNTIES LIKE ALAMEDA, MARIN, SAN FRANCISCO AND SANTA CRUISE  
8 AS WELL AS CITIES LIKE SANTA MONICA AND WEST HOLLYWOOD HAVE  
9 PASSED MORATORIUM RESOLUTIONS. THEY ARE SUPPORTED BY  
10 CALIFORNIANS NORTH AND SOUTH, 73% OF WHOM RECENTLY POLLED IN  
11 FAVOR OF A MORATORIUM IN ORDER TO GENERATE A STUDY OF THIS  
12 STATE'S DEATH PENALTY. POLL NUMBERS WERE POLITICALLY  
13 TRANSLATED INTO THE AUGUST 2004 ESTABLISHMENT OF A SENATE  
14 COMMISSION, THE CALIFORNIA COMMISSION ON THE FAIR  
15 ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE IN ORDER TO EXPLORE THE VAGARIES OF  
16 CAPITAL PUNISHMENT IN CALIFORNIA, A STATE WHICH, WITH 645  
17 CONDEMNED PRISONERS, IS BURDENED WITH THE LARGEST DEATH ROW  
18 NATIONWIDE. OF THOSE 645, MOREOVER, 195 WERE REMANDED FROM LOS  
19 ANGELES COUNTY. LOS ANGELES COUNTY ENJOYS THE DUBIOUS  
20 DISTINCTION OF SENDING MORE HUMAN BEINGS TO DEATH ROW THAN  
21 DOES ANY OTHER COUNTY IN THE UNITED STATES. YOU WILL, OVER THE  
22 NEXT WEEKS, HEAR MORE THAN ONCE ABOUT LEGISLATION BUT ASSEMBLY  
23 BILL 1121 AND A COMPANION SENATE BILL, PASSAGE OF WHICH WOULD  
24 MANDATE A TEMPORALLY LIMITED MORATORIUM IN ORDER TO FACILITATE  
25 EXPLORATION OF ISSUES LIKE CAPRICIOUSNESS AND COSTS,





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1 DETERRENTS, INNOCENCE, DISCRIMINATION ON THE BASIS OF GENDER,  
2 OF GEOGRAPHY, OF THE ETHNICITY, OF RACE, OF EDUCATIONAL  
3 BACKGROUND, OF COGNITIVE AND OF PSYCHIATRIC ISSUES, OF  
4 DEVIATIONS IN REPRESENTATION AND OF THE ASTRONOMICALLY HIGH  
5 79% RATE OF REVERSIBLE ERROR IN CAPITAL CASES IN CALIFORNIA.  
6 WE NEED YOUR HELP. WE NEED IT BECAUSE, IN THE PLEDGE OF  
7 ALLEGIANCE, WE TALK ABOUT JUSTICE FOR ALL BUT MORATORIUM ON  
8 EXECUTIONS TO BEGIN TO FIND THAT JUSTICE. WE THANK YOU FOR  
9 LISTENING. WE WISH YOU PEACE AND WE SHALL RETURN.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. COULD WE ALSO BE JOINED  
12 BY JAMES LAFFERTY. OH, YOU ARE HERE. JAMIE RAPAPORT AND TALIA  
13 SHULMAN. IF THEY WOULD JOIN US. MR. WHEATLEY.

14

15 **DAVID WHEATLEY:** THANK YOU. I'M A MUSICIAN. I LIVE IN THE  
16 SILVER LAKE AREA, AND I'M HERE TO REQUEST THAT YOU SUPPORT  
17 THIS MORATORIUM ON EXECUTIONS. UNLIKE MY FELLOW SPEAKERS,  
18 THOUGH, THEY'RE PROBABLY ABOLITIONISTS, TOO, BUT, IF I WERE UP  
19 HERE-- ANYWAY, I'M UP HERE, SO I SUPPORT ABOLITION OF THE  
20 DEATH PENALTY THROUGHOUT THE WORLD AND INCLUDING HERE IN LOS  
21 ANGELES COUNTY. BUT, TODAY, FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE PURVIEW OF  
22 HERE, I'M HERE ASKING THAT YOU WOULD SUPPORT THIS REQUEST FOR  
23 A MORATORIUM. I REALLY THINK THE DEATH PENALTY HAS GOT TO GO.  
24 WHEN WE LOOK AT OTHER ORGANIZATIONS AND COUNTRIES THAT HAVE  
25 THE DEATH PENALTY, IT'S PLACES LIKE SUDAN AND CHINA, REALLY,



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1 CALIFORNIA DOESN'T REALLY HAVE THAT MUCH IN COMMON WITH THOSE  
2 PLACES ON A CRIMINAL JUSTICE LEVEL. AND, ALSO, WHEN WE COMPARE  
3 WITH THE OTHER STATES THAT USE THIS FORM OF PUNISHMENT THE  
4 MOST: FLORIDA, TEXAS, OKLAHOMA, VIRGINIA, WE REALLY DON'T HAVE  
5 THAT MUCH IN COMMON WITH THEM, EITHER. PEOPLE COME TO  
6 CALIFORNIA BECAUSE THIS IS A PROGRESSIVE, INNOVATIVE, CREATIVE  
7 PLACE, WHERE A LOT OF THE BEST AND THE BRIGHTEST PEOPLE GO AND  
8 I THINK WE REALLY NEED TO FIND A BETTER WAY TO DEAL WITH THESE  
9 CRIMES THAN TO BE USING THE DEATH PENALTY. WE HAVE OTHER WAYS  
10 OF DEALING WITH IT. LIFE WITHOUT PAROLE IS A PERFECTLY VIABLE  
11 WAY TO GO. I HEAR ALL THE MILLIONS OF DOLLARS BEING TOSSED  
12 AROUND IN HERE AND SPENT ON THIS AND THAT. THE COST OF DOING A  
13 DEATH PENALTY CASE IS AROUND \$2 MILLION, WHEREAS DOING A  
14 REGULAR CASE IS ONLY AROUND \$400,000, WHICH STILL SEEMS LIKE A  
15 LOT TO ME, BUT WHEN WE'RE STRUGGLING TO FIND MONEY FOR THINGS  
16 THAT ARE REALLY IMPORTANT, IF WE DIDN'T HAVE THE DEATH  
17 PENALTY, THEN WE'D BE ABLE TO SAVE ALL THAT MONEY. I THINK THE  
18 DEATH PENALTY GENERALLY IS JUST WAY, WAY TOO DANGEROUS FOR US  
19 TO ATTEMPT TO USE. EVEN WITH THE KIND OF ADVANCED DEMOCRACY WE  
20 HAVE IN HERE WITH THE T.V. CAMERAS AND THE WORDS GOING UP ON  
21 THE SCREEN AND BEING ABLE TO SEE THINGS GET STRAIGHTENED OUT,  
22 THERE ARE A LOT OF THINGS THAT GET MESSED UP IN GOVERNMENT,  
23 EVEN WHEN WE HAVE THE BEST AND THE BRIGHTEST RIGHT HERE AND  
24 THERE'S A LOT THAT GETS MESSED UP IN THE LEGAL SYSTEM AS WELL  
25 AND WE SHOULDN'T BE MESSING AROUND WITH EXECUTIONS AND DEATH



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1 PENALTIES WHEN WE'RE DEALING WITH THAT LEVEL OF PREDICTABLE  
2 HUMAN FALLIBILITY. OKAY. WHAT ELSE CAN I TELL YOU ABOUT?

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YOU DON'T HAVE TO USE UP ALL THE MINUTES.

5

6 **DAVID WHEATLEY:** WE'RE GOING TO-- I KNOW. THANK YOU, I KNOW. I  
7 DON'T HAVE TO USE ALL MY TIME. I WOULD LIKE TO MENTION THAT  
8 THERE'S GOING TO BE A GUY COMING UP HERE SOON AND, NOT TO  
9 STEAL HIS THUNDER, BUT HE WAS WRONGFULLY CONVICTED OF A MURDER  
10 AND, HAD HE RECEIVED THE DEATH PENALTY, HE WOULDN'T BE HERE  
11 TODAY, HE'D BE SIX FEET UNDER SOMEPLACE AND SO I REALLY ASK  
12 THAT YOU PAY CLOSE ATTENTION TO WHAT HE HAS TO SAY, BECAUSE  
13 HE'S A GREAT EXAMPLE OF HOW THE DEATH PENALTY COULD HAVE  
14 TOTALLY MESSED UP IN HIS CASE AND WE'D HAVE A LOT MORE THAN  
15 JUST THE APOLOGIES THAT WE'RE GOING TO GIVE HIM TODAY TO DEAL  
16 WITH. AND THAT'S ABOUT IT FOR THIS WEEK. SO I LOOK FORWARD TO  
17 TALKING TO YOU NEXT WEEK.

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19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MR. LAFFERTY.

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21 **JAMES LAFFERTY:** YES. THANK YOU. JAMES LAFFERTY, DIRECTOR OF  
22 THE NATIONAL LAWYERS GUILD. MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD  
23 AND DEPUTIES, I ACTUALLY BELIEVE THAT IT IS EVEN IN THE  
24 INTERESTS OF THOSE WHO SUPPORT THE DEATH PENALTY, TO SUPPORT A  
25 MORATORIUM ON THE USE OF IT PENDING THE FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS



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1 OF THE STATE BOARD REVIEWING IT. AND I SAY THIS FOR SEVERAL  
2 REASONS. FIRST, AS YOU PROBABLY KNOW, THERE'S A GROWING TIDE  
3 OF OPPOSITION TO THE DEATH PENALTY IN AMERICA AND AN EVEN  
4 GROWING, GREATER GROWING TIDE TO IT HERE IN CALIFORNIA. AND  
5 NOW THAT IT'S BEEN SHOWN TO BE NO DETERRENT TO MURDER, NOW  
6 THAT IT'S BEEN SHOWN TO BE FINANCIALLY UNSOUND AND, MOST  
7 IMPORTANT OF ALL, OF COURSE, NOW THAT IT'S BEEN SHOWN TO BE SO  
8 UNRELIABLE NOW THAT MORE THAN A HUNDRED FORMER DEATH ROW  
9 INMATES HAVE BEEN FREED AFTER WRONGFUL CONVICTION, OF THE DAYS  
10 WHEN THE UNITED STATES STANDS VIRTUALLY ALONE IN THE CIVILIZED  
11 WORLD IN HAVING A DEATH PENALTY, I THINK. ARE CLEARLY  
12 NUMBERED. IN FACT, I BELIEVE THE ONLY HOPE FOR THOSE WHO  
13 SUPPORT THE DEATH PENALTY IS THE MORATORIUM MOVEMENT, BECAUSE  
14 IT HOLDS THE ONLY REAL HOPE OF DEATH PENALTY SUPPORTERS,  
15 BECAUSE, AS HAS HAPPENED IN ILLINOIS, ANY HONEST COMMITTEE  
16 STUDYING IT IS GOING TO COME TO THE CONCLUSION THAT A GREAT  
17 MANY REFORMS MUST BE PUT INTO PLACE IF WE'RE GOING TO STOP  
18 EXECUTING THE INNOCENT, IF WE'RE TO STOP APPLYING IT IN A  
19 RACIALLY AND ECONOMICALLY DISCRIMINATORY MANNER AND THEREBY  
20 SATISFY THE NATION'S DESIRE AND NEED FOR JUSTICE AND FAIRNESS  
21 IN THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM. AND IF THESE REFORMS WERE THEN  
22 PUT IN PLACE, MAYBE ENOUGH PEOPLE WOULD THEN BE SATISFIED WITH  
23 ITS OPERATION TO ACCEPT ITS CONTINUED USE. THIS, OF COURSE,  
24 WOULD DISHEARTEN ME BUT IT DOES, AS I SAY, ODDLY REPRESENT, I  
25 THINK, THE ONLY REAL HOPE FOR SUPPORTERS OF THE DEATH PENALTY.



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1 THEN, TOO, SUPPORTERS OF THE DEATH PENALTY WOULD BE WELL  
2 ADVISED TO SUPPORT A MORATORIUM WHILE IT IS STUDIED AND  
3 POSSIBLE REFORMS THAT ARE RECOMMENDED ON THE SIMPLE BASIC  
4 GROUND OF FAIRNESS. SO LONG AS THEY CAN BE SO EASILY SHOWN HOW  
5 RACIALLY AND ECONOMICALLY UNFAIR IT IS, TO SAY NOTHING OF HOW  
6 UNRELIABLE, THEN, AS I SAY, THE GROWING SUPPORT FOR THE  
7 ABOLITION OF IT COMPLETELY WILL BE UNSTOPPABLE. AND, IN THE  
8 FACE OF SUCH PROVEN UNFAIRNESS, ANYONE NOT SUPPORTING A  
9 MORATORIUM, I BELIEVE, EVEN POLITICALLY TODAY WITH THOSE POLLS  
10 THAT WE'RE SEEING, STANDS THE DANGER OF BEING ACCUSED OF  
11 CARING MORE ABOUT VENGEANCE THAN ABOUT FAIRNESS AND JUSTICE.  
12 AND, FINALLY, SPEAKING OF FAIRNESS, SURELY EVEN THOSE WHO  
13 SUPPORT THE DEATH PENALTY WANT IT TO OPERATE FREE OF ITS  
14 CURRENT UNDENIABLE SHORTCOMINGS. SURELY EVEN THOSE WHO ARE THE  
15 MOST ARDENT SUPPORTERS WANT IT TO OPERATE AS TO ENSURE THAT  
16 ALL WHO DO STAND ACCUSED OF MURDER AND FACE THAT ULTIMATE  
17 PUNISHMENT WILL HAVE EQUAL ACCESS TO COMPETENT LAWYERS,  
18 INVESTIGATORS AND ALL NECESSARY FORENSIC EVIDENCE, REGARDLESS  
19 OF THEIR RACE OR ECONOMIC STATION IN LIFE. SO, SURELY, NO ONE  
20 ON THIS BOARD COULD LIVE WITH THEMSELVES IF ANOTHER INNOCENT  
21 MAN IS PUT TO DEATH ON DEATH ROW HERE IN CALIFORNIA AND YOU  
22 COULD HAVE DONE YOUR PART TO STOP IT. SO, BE YOU A SUPPORTER  
23 OR OPPONENT OF THE DEATH PENALTY, DO THE FAIR AND SMART THING  
24 AND VOTE FOR A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR A MORATORIUM ON IT HERE  
25 IN CALIFORNIA. IN EITHER CASE, AS I SAY, IT'S THE RIGHT THING



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1 TO DO AND I DO BELIEVE HISTORY WILL JUDGE YOU WELL FOR DOING  
2 SO. THANK YOU.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MRS. RAPAPORT?

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6 **JAMIE RAPAPORT:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS JAMIE RAPAPORT. I  
7 AM THE PROGRAM DIRECTOR AT PROGRESSIVE JEWISH ALLIANCE, WHICH  
8 IS A CALIFORNIA STATEWIDE NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION DEDICATED TO  
9 THE JEWISH TRADITION OF PURSUING SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC JUSTICE.  
10 WE HAVE THOUSANDS OF MEMBERS THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES COUNTY.  
11 I'M HERE TODAY TO URGE YOU TO PASS A RESOLUTION IN FAVOR OF A  
12 MORATORIUM ON EXECUTIONS UNTIL THE CALIFORNIA COMMISSION ON  
13 THE FAIR ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE FINISHES ITS STUDY IN 2007.  
14 PROGRESSIVE JEWISH ALLIANCE BELIEVES THAT IT IS BOTH COUNTER-  
15 INTUITIVE AND IMMORAL TO MAINTAIN A POLICY OF EXECUTIONS  
16 BEFORE THE COMMISSION HAS VERIFIED THAT THERE IS NO  
17 POSSIBILITY OF WRONGFUL CONVICTION. WE ARE DEEPLY CONCERNED  
18 THAT, IN THE ABSENCE OF A MORATORIUM, LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND  
19 THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA COULD HAVE INNOCENT BLOOD ON ITS  
20 HANDS. WE THEREFORE URGE YOU TO ENSURE THAT CALIFORNIA DOES  
21 NOT CONTINUE EXECUTIONS UNTIL OUR CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM  
22 UNDERGOES PROPER SCRUTINY. I WOULD LIKE TO REEMPHASIZE THAT,  
23 ALTHOUGH PJA, PROGRESSIVE JEWISH ALLIANCE, IS IN FAVOR OF A  
24 MORATORIUM ON THE DEATH PENALTY, OUR IMMEDIATE REQUEST IS FOR  
25 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO SUPPORT A MORATORIUM ON EXECUTIONS





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1 UNTIL THE CALIFORNIA COMMISSION ON THE FAIR ADMINISTRATION OF  
2 JUSTICE FINISHES ITS STUDY IN 2007.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MISS SHULMAN.

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6 **TALIA SHULMAN:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS TALIA SHULMAN. I LIVE  
7 IN LOS ANGELES. I'M AN ATTORNEY. AND I AM HERE TO ENCOURAGE  
8 YOU TO SUPPORT A MORATORIUM ON EXECUTIONS IN CALIFORNIA. AND  
9 I'D LIKE TO BEGIN BY STATING THAT I'M NOT HERE AS AN OPPONENT  
10 OF THE DEATH PENALTY; I AM HERE AS AN ADVOCATE FOR JUSTICE. I  
11 PERSONALLY TAKE GREAT PRIDE IN THE FACT THAT I LIVE IN A  
12 COUNTRY THAT'S FOUNDED ON CONSTITUTIONAL SAFEGUARDS OF DUE  
13 PROCESS AND FUNDAMENTAL FAIRNESS AND I THINK THAT YOU WILL ALL  
14 AGREE THAT THERE'S NOTHING MORE FUNDAMENTALLY UNFAIR THAN TO  
15 PUT AN INNOCENT PERSON TO DEATH FOR A CRIME FOR WHICH HE OR  
16 SHE DID NOT COMMIT. SINCE THE REINSTATEMENT OF THE DEATH  
17 PENALTY IN THE MID-'70S, THERE HAVE BEEN THREE PEOPLE  
18 EXONERATED IN CALIFORNIA, A HUNDRED NATIONWIDE FROM DEATH ROW.  
19 THAT IS 3 PEOPLE TOO MANY. ONE PERSON IS TOO MANY. THERE ARE  
20 SOME PEOPLE WHO TAKE THE UTILITARIAN APPROACH TO CRIME AND  
21 PUNISHMENT BY BELIEVING IN THE PROPOSITION THAT THE RISK OF  
22 PUTTING AN INNOCENT PERSON TO DEATH IS WORTH, IS WORTH THE  
23 BENEFIT OF RIDDING OUR SOCIETY OF DANGEROUS CRIMINALS. WELL, I  
24 DON'T ADHERE TO THAT PRINCIPLE AND I DON'T THINK ANYONE WHO  
25 REALLY BELIEVES IN THE CONSTITUTION ON WHICH OUR COUNTRY IS



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1 BASED BELIEVES IN THOSE PRINCIPLES. ONE PERSON IS TOO MUCH,  
2 AND THAT APPROACH BELONGS IN ONLY ONE PLACE AND THAT IS NAZI  
3 GERMANY. EVERY LIFE IS PRECIOUS. EVERY HUMAN BEING IS PRECIOUS  
4 AND WE HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY TO ASSURE THAT JUSTICE IS SERVED.  
5 AND, IN ORDER TO DO THAT, WE NEED TO KNOW AND BE CERTAIN THE  
6 JUDICIAL SYSTEM IS FUNDAMENTALLY FAIR AND BASED ON DUE  
7 PROCESS. AND SO I WOULD STRONGLY URGE YOU TO FOLLOW SUIT WITH  
8 THE HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF AMERICANS, MILLIONS OF AMERICANS  
9 WHO WOULD SUPPORT THE IDEA THAT OUR JUDICIAL SYSTEM NEEDS TO  
10 BE A FAIR SYSTEM, NOT ONE THAT IS CAPRICIOUS OR NOT ONE THAT  
11 ALLOWS INNOCENT PEOPLE TO FALL THROUGH ITS CRACKS. THANK YOU  
12 VERY MUCH.

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14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. AND FINALLY, WE HAVE  
15 JOANN BERLIN. MISS BERLIN? I SEE TWO PEOPLE COMING. I ONLY  
16 HAVE ONE CARD.

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18 **THOMAS GOLDSTEIN:** MY NAME IS THOMAS GOLDSTEIN. I'M A  
19 PARALEGAL. I LIVE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I'M HERE TO ASK THIS  
20 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO SUPPORT THE MORATORIUM ON THE DEATH  
21 PENALTY, NOT FOR MORAL REASONS BUT FOR SUBSTANTIVE REASONS.  
22 THERE'S TREMENDOUS ABUSES IN OUR SYSTEM OF JUSTICE. THERE'S  
23 THE USE OF JAILHOUSE INFORMANTS, PROSECUTION MISCONDUCT AND  
24 POLICE ABUSES, AND I SPEAK OF THIS NOT ON ABSTRACT GROUNDS OR  
25 LEGAL REASONING BUT FROM PERSONAL EXPERIENCE. I SPENT OVER 24



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1 YEARS IN STATE PRISON FOR A CRIME I DID NOT COMMIT AS A RESULT  
2 OF A DRUG ADDICT JAILHOUSE INFORMANT WHO TESTIFIED AND LIED  
3 THAT I CONFESSED TO HIM AND THE POLICE PROCEDURES, WHO  
4 INTIMIDATED A WITNESS INTO WRONGFULLY FINGERING ME AS THE  
5 PERPETRATOR. THESE OFFENSES AGAINST THE PUBLIC ARE MAYBE NOT  
6 RAMPANT BUT THEY ARE-- THEY ARE DISTRIBUTED THROUGHOUT OUR  
7 SYSTEM. I HAVE BEEN-- I HAVE BEEN VICTIMIZED BY OUR SYSTEM OF  
8 JUSTICE AND I SEE THIS IN DEATH PENALTY CASES AND I HAVE COME  
9 BEFORE YOU AND I'M SORRY, I'M NOT A PUBLIC SPEAKER AND THIS  
10 TOUCHES ME DEEPLY, SO I APOLOGIZE. OUR SYSTEM OF JUSTICE NEEDS  
11 A THOROUGH REVIEW BEFORE ANYONE ELSE IS EXECUTED AND I WOULD  
12 ASK THIS BOARD TO SUPPORT THIS MORATORIUM. THANK YOU.

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14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SIR. MISS BERLIN.

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16 **JOANNE BERLIN:** MY NAME IS JOANNE BERLIN. I'M A PHYSICIAN  
17 ASSISTANT AND I LIVE IN SANTA MONICA. YOU'VE HEARD ABOUT THIS  
18 COMMISSION, YOU KNOW ABOUT THIS COMMISSION THAT'S DOING ITS  
19 WORK NOW. IT HAS BEGUN MEETING. IT HAD ITS FIRST MEETING LAST  
20 MONTH AND IT'S GOING TO BE LOOKING AT A NUMBER OF ISSUES: HOW  
21 TO STANDARDIZE THE D.N.A. TESTING, LOOKING AT A STATEWIDE  
22 STANDARDS FOR DEATH PENALTY CASES. RIGHT NOW, FOR EXAMPLE, IF  
23 A VICTIM IS WHITE IN A MURDER CASE, THAT CASE IS FOUR TIMES  
24 MORE LIKELY TO BECOME A DEATH PENALTY CASE THAN IF A VICTIM IS  
25 A PERSON OF COLOR. THIS IS JUST ONE EXAMPLE OF THE KINDS OF



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1 ISSUES THE COMMISSION WILL BE STUDYING BEFORE MAKING  
2 RECOMMENDATIONS. YOU HEARD THIS MORNING ABOUT THE STATE OF  
3 AFRICAN-AMERICAN FOLKS IN L.A. IN CALIFORNIA, 35.5% OF THOSE  
4 WHO ARE ON DEATH ROW ARE BLACK. AND ONLY 6.7% OF THE  
5 CALIFORNIA POPULATION IS BLACK. SO WE CAN SEE THAT THE RACIAL  
6 DISPARITY IS A VERY STRONG ISSUE IN THIS PARTICULAR ARENA.  
7 THOUGH IT'S A STATEWIDE ISSUE, IT'S ALSO A CRUCIAL LOCAL ISSUE  
8 BECAUSE MORE THAN 30% OF THE OVER 640 INMATES ON DEATH ROW  
9 COME FROM L.A. COUNTY, WHICH MEANS THAT WE PAY A VERY HIGH  
10 PRICE FOR OUR CURRENT SYSTEM, FINANCIALLY AND IN GRIEF AND  
11 PAIN ENDURED BY CITIZENS WHO, WHEN POTENTIALLY INNOCENT PEOPLE  
12 ARE INCARCERATED FOR YEARS AND POSSIBLY PUT TO DEATH. WE'RE  
13 ASKING YOU TO SUPPORT A MORATORIUM ON EXECUTIONS WHILE A  
14 COMMISSION STUDIES OUR CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM. IT WILL REPORT  
15 TO THE STATE LEGISLATURE IN DECEMBER 2007. IN CALIFORNIA NOW,  
16 THERE ARE ABOUT 20 CASES, 20 DEATH ROW CASES WHO ARE AT THE  
17 9TH CIRCUIT COURT LEVEL, WHICH MEANS THAT THERE COULD BE A  
18 NUMBER OF THESE HAVE EXECUTION DATES SET BEFORE DECEMBER 2007  
19 WHEN THE COMMISSIONER REPORT IS OUT. IN THIS COMING YEAR,  
20 THERE ARE POTENTIALLY 5 INMATES IN OUR STATE WHO ARE FACING  
21 EXECUTION DATES. THREE OF THEM, THEIR CASES WILL BE SEEN BY  
22 THE SUPREME COURT THIS FALL AND YOU'LL HEAR ABOUT IT IN  
23 OCTOBER AS TO WHETHER WE HAVE THREE EXECUTIONS COMING BEFORE  
24 THE END OF THE YEAR OR EARLY NEXT YEAR. WE KNOW IT'S A HOT  
25 BUTTON ISSUE FOR POLITICIANS BUT, IF EVEN ONE PERSON IS



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1 EXECUTED WHILE BEING INNOCENT OR EXECUTED BECAUSE OF  
2 DISCRIMINATION IN THE COURTROOM BASED ON RACE OR ETHNICITY OR  
3 ECONOMIC STATUS, THEN THE SHAME BELONGS TO ALL OF US AND SO WE  
4 ASK YOU TO CONSIDER SUPPORTING A RESOLUTION FOR A MORATORIUM  
5 ON EXECUTIONS IN CALIFORNIA.

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7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH, MISS BERLIN. THE  
8 TRANSLATOR HAS ARRIVED, SO I'M GOING TO CALL UP AGAIN SENIOR  
9 EV LEMUS, EDUARDO LEMUS, AND ERNESTO GARCIA. (SPEAKING  
10 SPANISH)

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12 **EV LEMUS:** (VOICE OF INTERPRETER) MY NAME IS EV LEMUS. I LIVE  
13 IN 2416 EAST 130TH STREET IN COMPTON. THE REASON WHY I'M HERE  
14 IS BECAUSE I HAVE A PROBLEM. THERE WAS AN INSPECTOR THAT CAME  
15 TO MY HOUSE. THEY ASKED HER IF SHE WAS CONSTRUCTING AND THEY  
16 CAME IN, 5 INSPECTORS, WITH THE SHERIFF. I'M A LITTLE NERVOUS.

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18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** (SPEAKING SPANISH).

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20 **EV LEMUS (VOICE OF INTERPRETER):** I WAS PREPARING MYSELF TO GO  
21 CAMPING WITH MY FAMILY. THEY INTIMIDATED ME SO MUCH. THEY WENT  
22 IN THE HOUSE, IN MY PROPERTY TO SEARCH, LIKE IF I WAS A  
23 CRIMINAL. THEY ASKED IF SHE HAD AN I.D. YES, I DO. THEY TOOK  
24 SOME PHOTOS FROM HER. I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY THEY DID IT. I  
25 GOT SICK AND I HAD TO GO TO THE DOCTOR. I CANCELED EVERYTHING



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1 I WAS GOING TO DO WITH MY FAMILY. AND THE REASON WHY I'M HERE  
2 IS TO ASK YOU WHY THEY'RE DOING THIS TO US. I TRY TO MAKE A  
3 GOOD LIVING. WE'RE HONEST WORKERS. WE HAVE THE BEST FOR OUR  
4 FAMILY, KEEP THE HOUSE CLEAN, AND I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY  
5 THEY'RE BOTHERING US INSTEAD OF FOCUSING ON SOME OTHER ISSUES.  
6 I'M ASKING FOR YOUR HELP.

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8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** (SPEAKING SPANISH).

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10 **EV LEMUS:** (SPEAKING SPANISH).

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12 **(VOICE OF INTERPRETER):** WHO DO THEY REPRESENT?

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14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I'M ASKING HER WHO THE PEOPLE WERE.

15 (SPEAKING SPANISH).

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17 **EV LEMUS(VOICE OF INTERPRETER):** FROM THE ZONING ENFORCEMENT.

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19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** LOS ANGELES OR COMPTON?

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21 **EV LEMUS (VOICE OF INTERPRETER):** FROM THE COUNTY OR FROM LOS  
22 ANGELES? THEY CAME AND THEY-- THEY MAKE-- DID THEY MAKE A  
23 REPORT? WHEN DID IT HAPPEN? IT HAS BEEN ABOUT THREE WEEKS.

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1    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** (SPEAKING SPANISH) WHY ARE YOU COMPLAINING  
2    RIGHT NOW AND DIDN'T COMPLAIN BEFORE?

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4    **EV LEMUS (VOICE OF INTERPRETER):** THIS IS THE SECOND TIME WE'RE  
5    HERE.

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7    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** (SPEAKING SPANISH) WHO DID YOU TALK TO?

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9    **EV LEMUS:** (VOICE OF INTERPRETER) MR. JOHN COLLINS, HE SPOKE TO  
10    US. THEY TOLD ME THEY WERE GOING TO SEND SOMEBODY ELSE. BUT IT  
11    WAS EVEN WORSE BECAUSE THEN THEY SENT MORE INSPECTORS. THE  
12    DISTRICT ATTORNEY CAME OVER.

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14    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** (SPEAKING SPANISH) I WAS JUST INFORMED  
15    THAT YOU HAVE SOME COWS ON YOUR PROPERTY?

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17    **EV LEMUS(VOICE OF INTERPRETER):** NO, MA'AM, I DON'T HAVE ANY  
18    COWS ON MY PROPERTY.

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20    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** DID THEY FIND A COW OR DID THEY NOT FIND A  
21    COW? (SPEAKING SPANISH) THEY EVEN HAVE PHOTOS WHERE YOU HAVE  
22    COWS AT YOUR HOUSE.

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1 **EV LEMUS:** (VOICE OF INTERPRETER) NO, MA'AM, MY HOUSE HAS AN  
2 OFFICE WITH A JACUZZI. I DO NOT HAVE COWS. IF YOU WOULD LIKE  
3 TO COME BY AND SEE MY HOUSE, YOU'RE MORE THAN WELCOME.

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5 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** (SPEAKING SPANISH). THIS YOUNG LADY SAYS  
6 THEY HAVE PHOTOS OF THE HOUSE.

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8 **EV LEMUS(VOICE OF INTERPRETER):** SHE WOULD LIKE TO SEE THEM. I  
9 THINK THEY'RE CONFUSED WHO THEY'VE BEEN DEALING WITH.

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11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** (SPEAKING SPANISH) YOUR ADDRESS IS?

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13 **EV LEMUS(VOICE OF INTERPRETER):** 2416 EAST 130TH.

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15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OKAY. THEY MAY HAVE A MISTAKEN ADDRESS.

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17 **(VOICE OF INTERPRETER):** (SPEAKING SPANISH).

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19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** (SPEAKING SPANISH). ARE YOU ALSO  
20 COMPLAINING ABOUT THE SAME THING, MR. GARCIA?

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22 **ERNESTO GARCIA(VOICE OF INTERPRETER):** (SPEAKING SPANISH).

23 YEAH, I'M COMING FOR THE SAME REASON.

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1    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** (SPEAKING SPANISH). WOULD YOU LET US FIND  
2    OUT FIRST WHAT'S GOING ON?

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4    **ERNESTO GARCIA(VOICE OF INTERPRETER):** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME  
5    IS ERNESTO GARCIA, 1492 WEST 191ST STREET IN COMPTON.  
6    HONORABLE SUPERVISORS AND PUBLIC PRESENT, THE REASON WHY I'M  
7    HERE IS TO REPORT ABUSES FROM THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND THE  
8    DISTRICT ATTORNEY WITH THE LATIN COMMUNITY IN THE CITY OF  
9    COMPTON. SHERIFF BACA, MR. COOLEY, AND HIS OFFICIALS, THE  
10   INVESTIGATORS FROM THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, THEY GO INTO  
11   PROPERTIES WITH NO PERMISSION AT ALL OF THE OWNERS. I STILL  
12   AGREE, TOO, THAT THE INVESTIGATORS OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES  
13   CAN GO INTO THE PROPERTIES WITHOUT PERMISSION. WOULD YOU LIKE  
14   TO KNOW WHY? BECAUSE THEY'RE NOT PREPARED, THEY'RE A BUNCH OF  
15   IGNORANTS, NOT QUALIFIED TO DEAL WITH THE COMMUNITY, WITH ALL  
16   MY RESPECT. BUT THE SHERIFF AND THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY, I DON'T  
17   THINK IS THEM, I DON'T THINK THEY'RE IGNORANTS BUT THEY DO ACT  
18   LIKE ONES. I THINK AND I SPOKE TO-- WITH MR. DAVIS, FROM  
19   DISTRICT ATTORNEY DEPUTY, WHO SPEAKS ENGLISH AND SPANISH AND  
20   HE SAID THAT THERE WAS NO SHERIFF AND NO DISTRICT ATTORNEY  
21   SHOULD BE ENTERING ANY PROPERTY WITHOUT PERMISSION UNLESS  
22   THERE WAS A CRIMINAL ACTION. SUPERVISOR GLORIA MOLINA, BOARD  
23   MEMBER, I CAME HERE ONCE AND CAME HERE WITH MR. IGNACIO PENA.  
24   IGNACIO PENA FIRE HIS DAUGHTER FROM COLLEGE. THIS IS WHY  
25   INVESTIGATED THE COLLEGE AND HE'S IN JAIL NOW. HE HAS JUST



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1 BEEN CONVICTED WITH 11 YEARS IN PRISON. SOME OF THE PEOPLE  
2 THAT WORK FOR SUPERVISOR YVONNE BURKE, THEY WERE ALWAYS IN  
3 COLLEGE. I DON'T KNOW IF THEY COMMIT ANY CORRUPTIONS BUT THE  
4 F.B.I.'S INVESTIGATING AND I DON'T WANT TO ACCUSE ANY OF YOU  
5 HERE. THERE WAS A TIME I SERVED, WAS SMILING JUST LIKE  
6 SUPERVISOR YVONNE BURKE IS DOING NOW. WHAT I'M TELLING YOU NOW  
7 IS THE TRUTH. \_\_\_\_\_ WAS AT THE COURT. AND AT ONE  
8 POINT \_\_\_\_\_ HIM. AND THEY'RE GOING TO BE IN JAIL  
9 FROM NOW ON.

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11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** GRACIAS, SENIOR GARCIA.

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13 **(VOICE OF INTERPRETER):** THANK YOU, MR. GARCIA. CAN I SPEAK?

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15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** (SPEAKING SPANISH).

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17 **SPEAKER:** (SPEAKING SPANISH).

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19 **(VOICE OF INTERPRETER):** WHAT I NEED TO TELL YOU, THIS  
20 CONSTRUCTION WAS DONE WAY BEFORE. IT WAS OUR RELATION TO KEEP  
21 THE HOUSE NICE AND CLEAN. THEY CAN JUST DUMP IT DOWN.

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23 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** (SPEAKING SPANISH).

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1   **(VOICE OF INTERPRETER):** YOU DON'T KNOW HOW THEY SAW YOUR HOUSE  
2   BUT ALL THE REPAIRS, ALL THE CONSTRUCTION, YOU NEED TO GET A  
3   PERMIT. I DO HAVE PERMITS FOR EVERYTHING THAT I'VE DONE TO THE  
4   HOUSE. THAT'S WHAT YOU NEED TO SHOW TO THE MEN THAT WILL BE  
5   ASSIGNED TO YOU. AS LONG AS YOU HAVE YOUR PERMITS, THAT SHOULD  
6   BE TAKEN CARE OF.

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8   **SPEAKER:** (SPEAKING SPANISH) (VOICE OF INTERPRETER): I THINK  
9   THEY SHOULD BE A LITTLE MORE NICER THAN THEY HAVE BEEN. IT IS  
10   UNJUST FOR THEM TO BE DOING WHAT THEY'RE DOING. IT ISN'T JUST.  
11   \_\_\_\_\_ HAS BEEN TAKEN CARE OF ON TIME. THEY SHOULDN'T  
12   BE FINING PEOPLE. I HAVE APPROXIMATELY \$2,500 IN FINES BECAUSE  
13   I HAVE NOT COMPLIED ON TIME.

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15   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** (SPEAKING SPANISH).

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17   **(VOICE OF INTERPRETER):** IF YOU'D LIKE TO COME TO MY OFFICE, WE  
18   CAN HELP YOU. WE CAN TAKE YOUR INFORMATION AND WE WILL TRY AND  
19   WORK THIS OUT IN A NICER WAY BUT I DON'T KNOW THE DETAILS YET.  
20   BUT THE REPAIRS HAVE TO BE DONE NO MATTER WHAT.

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22   **SPEAKER:** (SPEAKING SPANISH) (VOICE OF INTERPRETER): I WOULD  
23   LIKE TO COME TO YOUR OFFICE TO SPEAK TO SOMEONE THERE. ALL  
24   RIGHT. THEN YOU CAN COME UP TO THE EIGHTH FLOOR AND WE'LL HELP  
25   YOU.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** (SPEAKING SPANISH).

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4 **SPEAKER:** (VOICE OF INTERPRETER): I WOULD LIKE TO PUT THIS INTO  
5 YOUR CONSIDERATION AND LET YOU KNOW AHEAD OF TIME THAT THE  
6 POLICE CONSTABLE...

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8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** (SPEAKING SPANISH).

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10 **(VOICE OF INTERPRETER):** I DON'T KNOW WHAT THE REASON IS, I  
11 CAN'T MAKE A JUDGMENT NOW.

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13 **SPEAKER:** (SPEAKING SPANISH).

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15 **(VOICE OF INTERPRETER):** THE OTHER THING I WANT TO TELL YOU  
16 THAT WE'RE NOT...

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18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** (SPEAKING SPANISH). THEY'RE NOT TREATING  
19 YOU AS CRIMINALS AND WE WILL INVESTIGATE THAT. THANK YOU VERY  
20 MUCH.

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22 **SPEAKER:** (SPEAKING SPANISH).

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24 **(VOICE OF INTERPRETER):** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MOLINA.

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1    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THAT CONCLUDES PUBLIC COMMENT.  
2    IF THERE IS NO OTHER ITEM, THEN WE WILL PROCEED TO CLOSED  
3    SESSION. I'LL HAVE MISS VARONA READ US INTO CLOSED SESSION.

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5    **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT  
6    REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF  
7    SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM CS-  
8    1, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING INITIATION OF  
9    LITIGATION, ONE CASE, AND ITEM CS-2, INTERVIEW AND CONSIDER  
10   CANDIDATES FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE POSITION OF DIRECTOR  
11   COMMUNITY AND SENIOR SERVICES, AND CONFERENCE WITH LABOR  
12   NEGOTIATOR MICHAEL J. HENRY, DIRECTOR OF PERSONNEL, AS  
13   INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. THANK YOU.

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1                   REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON  
2                   TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 13, 2005

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6   The Board of Supervisors met today in Closed Session. The  
7   following is being reported:

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9   **CS-1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION**

10   (Subdivision (c) of Government Code Section 54956.9)

11   Initiation of litigation (one case)

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13   ACTION TAKEN:

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15   The Board of Supervisors authorized the initiation of  
16   litigation on behalf of the County and six County garbage  
17   disposal districts against various garbage haulers, insurance  
18   carriers, and other potentially responsible parties to seek  
19   reimbursement of approximately \$2.4 million paid by the County  
20   and garbage disposal districts to settle environmental  
21   contamination cases involving the Cal Compact Landfill in the  
22   City of Carson.

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24   The vote of the Board was unanimous with all Supervisors being  
25   present.



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1 CS-2. PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT (Government Code Section 54957)  
2 Interview and consider candidates for the position of Director  
3 of Community and Senior Services.

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5 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (Government Code Section  
6 54957.6) Agency Representative: Michael J. Henry, Director of  
7 Personnel Unrepresented Employee: Candidates for position of  
8 Director of Community and Senior Services.

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10 ACTION TAKEN:

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12 There is no reportable action.

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1 REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE

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3 I, JENNIFER A. HINES, Certified Shorthand Reporter  
4 Number 6029/RPR/CRR qualified in and for the State of  
5 California, do hereby certify:

6 That the transcripts of proceedings recorded by the  
7 Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors September 13, 2005  
8 were thereafter transcribed into typewriting under my  
9 direction and supervision;

10 That the transcript of recorded proceedings as  
11 archived in the office of the reporter and which  
12 have been provided to the Los Angeles County Board of  
13 Supervisors as certified by me.

14 I further certify that I am neither counsel for, nor  
15 related to any party to the said action; nor  
16 in anywise interested in the outcome thereof.

17 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this  
18 21st day of September 2005, for the County records to be used  
19 only for authentication purposes of duly certified transcripts  
20 as on file of the office of the reporter.

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